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HYUNDAI A-LEAGUE

VERSION IV PREVIEW

LET THE REAL GAMES BEGIN!

The Hyundai A-League kicks off again on August 15, with reigning champions the Newcastle Jets taking on their grand final opponents the Central Coast Mariners in a mouthwatering first-up derby. Goal! Weekly's Sydney based correspondent Mike Salter takes a look at the contenders for the crown in "Version 4" of Australia's national competition.

Newcastle United Jets

In an echo of last year, the Jets have been deprived of a few key players in the off-season: stalwart defender Andrew Durante has headed south to Wellington along with young attacker Troy Hearfield, while grand final goalscorer Mark Bridge and midfield organizer Stuart Musialik have headed down the F3 to Sydney FC. Once again, the Jets will look to the wily, prolific Joel Griffiths for goals, along with their new marquee player, Ecuadorian international Edmundo Zura.

There have been other intriguing additions, including Danish midfielder Jesper Hakansson and a young, highly-rated attacker from the AIS in Jason Naidovski, who has shown his scoring prowess in the Foxtel Cup.

Jade North was crucial to the Jets in defence last season, and Gary van Egmond will be hoping to hold onto him after the Olympics, although his performances with both club and country have surely made a move to Europe a strong possibility.

Prediction: Should make the finals, but may not have enough firepower for another title win.

Central Coast Mariners

They achieved success last season with a physical, direct style, and the signing of beanpole ex-Northern Spirit forward Dylan McAllister appears to suggest that Lawrie McKinna's men will be adopting a similar method this time around. But there will be some craft in the Mariners' ranks as well, with Adrian Caceres added to provide some guile on the left, and Ahmad Elrich some pace and enterprise on the other wing.

An interesting new signing is Pedj Bojic, who had an outstanding NSW Premier League season with Premiers the Sutherland Sharks. A mobile sweeper with a penchant for surging runs forward, Bojic may well make quite an impression in the A-League. Also hailing from the NSWPL is left-back David D'Apuzzo, a useful understudy to Dean Heffernan.

On the other side of the ledger, the Mariners have lost the experienced, elegant midfielder Tom Pondeljak to Melbourne, while engine-room hard man Andre Gumprecht will miss the early part of the season due to injury.

Prediction: In the hunt for a finals place… but it could be tight.

Queensland Roar

Frank Farina will be delighted to have held on to his two priceless young stars, Robbie Kruse and Michael Zullo, and equally glad to have Reinaldo, much improved last season, back after a spell in Korea. Another youngster, Tommy Oar, has been impressing all and sundry in pre-season, and the midfield spine of Matt McKay and Danny Tiatto is still intact.

The most serious loss for Queensland has been that of mighty centre-back Sasa Ognenovski to Adelaide. The big man saved Queensland's bacon at the back time and again last season, as indeed he did for his new club during their Asian Champions' League campaign. AIS graduate Luke DeVere may go some way towards filling the breach, but it will be some task.

Farina will also be hoping that his new Dutch striker Sergio van Dijk will far better than Queensland's previous European signings Marcus Wedau and Simon Lynch.

Prediction: Will challenge for the league premiership, and may well get it.

Sydney FC

The A-League's FC Hollywood has had a major off-season overhaul, with old-stagers Mark Rudan, Ufuk Talay and David Zdrilic all off the payroll (much to the relief of John Kosmina), to be replaced by Mark Bridge, Stuart Musialik and marquee man John Aloisi, who is currently struggling with injury. There have been other additions too, including utility man Mitchell Prentice from Perth, and young striker Chris Payne from Manly United. Both have looked impressive in pre-season.

The side still looks somewhat short of width, with Robbie Middleby showing his age and Nick Tsattalios still looking raw on the left. This problem may be addressed with the impending signing of Shannon Cole from Sydney Olympic, but it remains the key question mark over Sydney's chances.

The retention of key goalscorer Alex Brosque, however, bodes well, and his likely partnership with either Aloisi or Bridge will probably be central to any success Sydney may achieve in 2008/09.

Prediction: Should finish in the top three.

Adelaide United

All changeup front for the Asian Champions League quarter-finalists, with Bruce Djite and Nathan Burns departed for foreign climes and Dez Giraldi also on the way out. Paul Agostino will be desperate to make up for an injury-ridden first season back home, and new signing Cristiano will definitely be one to watch. Adelaide have procured the services of another promising young striker in APIA-Leichhardt's Robert Younis, who has been scoring for fun in the NSW Premier League.

Further back, the much-matured Diego will pull most of the strings in midfield, along with Olyroo star Kristian Sarkies, while Jonas Salley will again provide the muscle in that area. Former NSL regular Paul Reid has returned home after an unhappy spell overseas, and is another useful option for Aurelio Vidmar in the middle. Sasa Ognenovski is a vital addition in defence, as the Asian Champions League campaign showed.

Perhaps the biggest question mark over Adelaide's season is how they can deal with the demands of the Asian Champions League, which overlaps with the start of the season. Can they can cope on both fronts with a new-look side?

Prediction: Could just miss out on the finals again, especially if their new troops fail to gell.

Melbourne Victory

Carlos Hernandez has found his form at last, and he has been joined in midfield by compatriot Jose Luis Lopez. There's a new Latin presence up front, too, in the shape of Ney Fabiano, signed after an impressive performance for Thai side Chonburi against Melbourne in the Asian Champions League.

Former Socceroo Michael Thwaite has also arrived after a frustrating time in Eastern Europe, while the subtle Tom Pondeljak has moved to Melbourne from the Central Coast. The departure of Adrian Caceres, however, has left Melbourne desperately short of options out wide, with the inexperienced Evan Berger now the only genuine wide player at Ernie Merrick's disposal.

It will be interesting to see whether Kevin Muscat, Melbourne's inspiration since their inception, has another good season in him; showing signs of wear in 2007/08, he will no doubt be expected to bear much of the tackling burden this term.

Prediction: Will be lucky to make the finals.

Wellington Phoenix

Perhaps the team that has recruited most cleverly in the off-season. Leilei Gao, formerly of the defunct Knights, has returned for another spell in New Zealand, and on the other flank Leo Bertos has arrived from Perth. There is another useful wide man in Daniel, while up front Adam Kwasnik, still searching for a sustained spell of form, has moved across the Tasman from the Mariners to join the very able Shane Smeltz up front.

Jon McKain, another ex-Socceroo, is an excellent addition in defence, and with Karl Dodd alongside him at the back, Wellington's rearguard looks strong. If anything, it is in central midfield that the Phoenix look weakest, with no new recruits to prop up an area that was a weak link last term. The likely departure of Tony Lochhead is also a blow, although Manny Muscat impressed in pre-season.

Prediction: Along with the Mariners, should be on the cusp of the top four.

Perth Glory

David Mitchell has placed a lot of faith in foreign "unknowns" this season, including Ivorian Eugene Dadi up front, Brazilian Amaral in midfield, and Argentinian playmaker Adrian Trinidad. The loss of Leo Bertos out wide will be keenly felt, especially if Nick Rizzo cannot hit a good run of form on the other flank.

The central midfield area looks shaky indeed, with Mitchell Prentice and the mercurial Tony Danze no longer there, leaving the inexperienced Josip Magdic and the largely untried Adriano Pellegrino as the only other options in the engine room. David Tarka will make a welcome return to the back four, and the lightning-quick Jimmy Downey will trouble opposition defences on the overlap, but the general outlook for Perth is pretty grim.

Prediction: There's little reason to believe that Perth can improve on last season's bottom-of-the-table finish.

Can the Jets scale the heddy heights of last year once again?

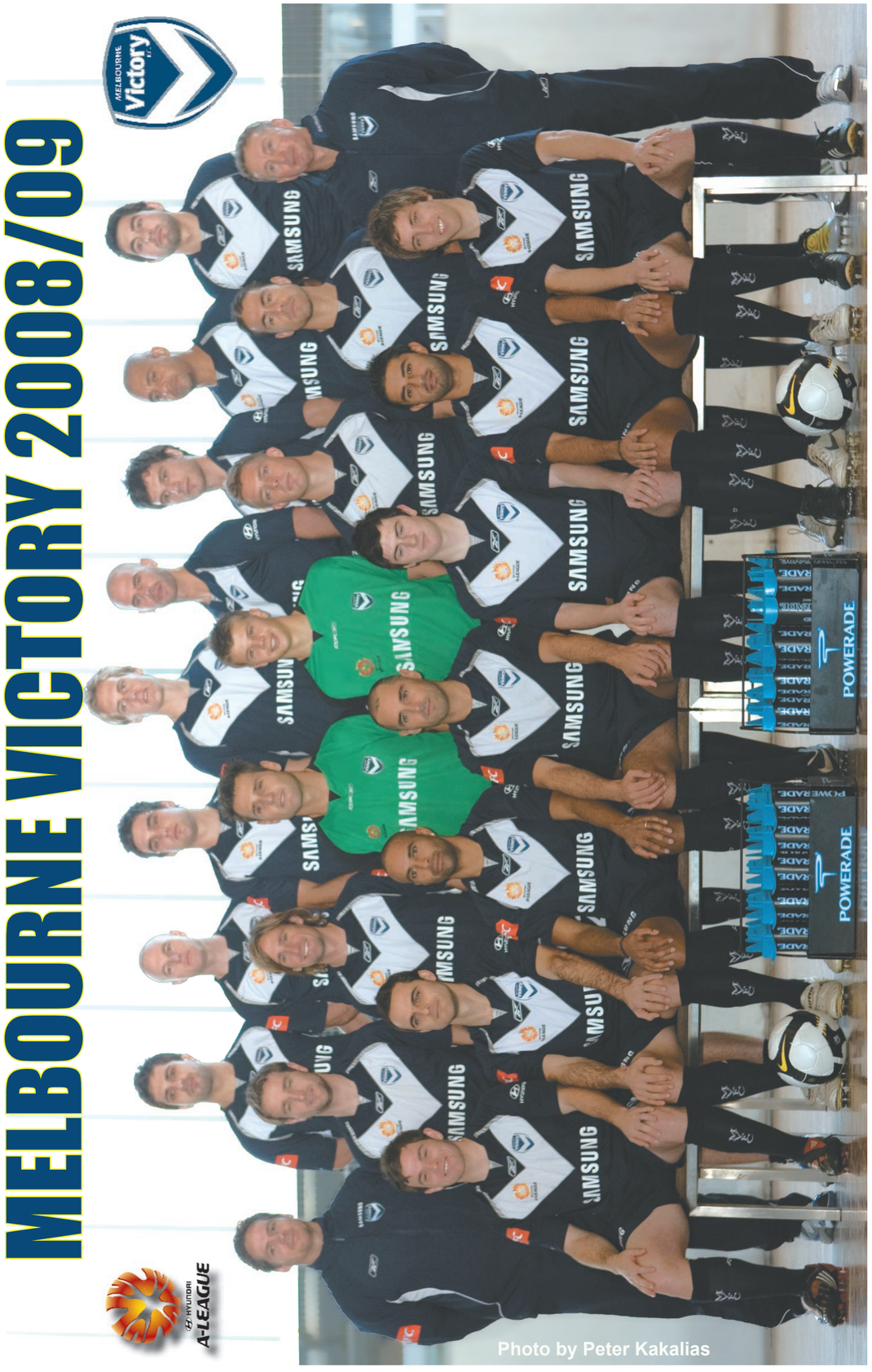
ROUND ONE

NEWCASTLE JETS
V
CENTRAL COAST MARINERS
8pm Friday 15th Aug

SYDNEY FC
V
MELBOURNE VICTORY
7pm Saturday 16th August

WELLINGTON PHOENIX
V
QUEENSLAND ROAR
5pm Sunday 17th August

ADELAIDE UNITED
V
PERTH GLORY
4.30pm Sunday 17th August



Back Row: Daniel Vasilevski, Matthew Kemp, Nathan Elasi, Michael Thwaite, Steven Pace, Billy Celeski, Ney Fabiano De Oliveira, Steve Pantelidis.
Middle Row: Aaron Healy (Asst. Coach), Grant Brebner, Nick Ward, Michael Theoklitos, Mitchell Langerak, Danny Allsopp, Rodrigo Vargas, Ernie Merrick (Head Coach).
Front Row: Leigh Broxham, Tom Pondeljak, Archie Thompson, Kevin Muscat (Captain), Sebastian Ryall, Carlos Hernandez, Evan Berger. Missing: Jose Luis Lopez

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FFV DIGS IN ITS HEELS

Foxtel Clubs Face Uphill Battle

DISENCHANTED Foxtel Cup clubs will air their grievances to Football Federation CEO Mark Rendell this week at a meeting to be held on Wednesday night but remain angry that no FFV board member will attend.

"We have invited board members to attend our Premier League meetings on a number of occasions over the past two months but they have so far refused," said group spokesman Aki Ionnas.

"I'd love to know why the board doesn't want to meet with us and take a consultative approach to the important issues that we raise."

As reported previously in Goal! Weekly the clubs don't want the AIS involved in Victoria's elite league but I also believe that they are poised to rebel against the intended 12-team format for next season's competition preferring instead to keep the number of participants at 14 teams.

And these issues remain a sticking point between the clubs and the FFV board. My understanding is that the board is willing to meet with the clubs provided that the meeting agenda concerns enhancing policy and direction rather than a midstream and drastic policy change.

It may come as a shock to clubs under the FFV umbrella to learn that they are not members of the federation. Rather, FFV clubs are now merely registered participants as a result of the Football Federation Australia-generated constitutional reform process spawned by the Crawford Report into the structure of the sport in this country.

Group spokesman Aki Ionnas

The FFV board is elected by a group of 30 members who come from various corners of the state which effectively destroys the metropolitan stranglehold on decision-making enjoyed by the Melbourne-based clubs for many, many years. Indeed, the power elite within this group consisted of the old State League (Premier League) clubs whose ability to influence policy is legendary.

I suspect that Rendell will listen intently to the club's grievances before reminding them that they should think long and hard before acting in contravention of federation policy. If so, his message won't go down well as I have been told that the president of one Foxtel Cup club recently took legal advice with a view to gaining a court injunction that would stop the competition dead in its tracks.

Whether the clubs have any legal clout and whether their demotion from membership of the federation plays a role from a legal perspective remains to be seen.

The good news for AIS coach Jan Versleijen and assistant Ray Junna, who are delighted to be in the competition, is that FFV is sticking by them and persisting with its policy and vision in the face of an increasingly belligerent Premier League group.

The bad news for clubs battling relegation is that if FFV has its way then four teams will drop out of Premier League and Division One with three teams dropping down from State Two and Three and Provisional One and Two leagues.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

MAD RUSH FOR MUSCAT

Manny Muscat has landed himself a contract with the A-League's Wellington Phoenix.

The defensive midfielder has already featured for the New Zealand franchise after being rushed into the Phoenix line-up the Pre-season Cup final penalty shoot-out loss to Melbourne Victory last Wednesday night. Green Gully was reluctant to let Muscat go, especially with the Foxtel Cup finals only three weeks away, but respected his decision and we're resigned to see the 23 year old end his association with the Cavaliers in order for Muscat to fulfill his ambition to play in the A-league.

A clause in Muscat's contract meant that he could move on if he ever received an offer came from an A-league club. Interestingly, no money changed hands in the transfer, and it all happened so quickly that Muscat left Melbourne without having a chance to pack his bags properly. Apparently he was back in town on the weekend to organize his house and belongings.

Cavaliers' president Charlie Farrugia spoke to Goal! Weekly about the sudden switch, "Of course every player wants to play A-league, which is fair enough, but once again the Foxtel Cup will be robbed of its players for the finals. It's a situation that has to be looked at. Maybe we have to start the Foxtel Cup earlier so it finishes before the A-League commences and players can finish off our season first. I think the FFA and the FFV have to have a look at it because you have to wonder if it's worth putting the time and effort and investing in squads when they're going to be disrupted just when it approaches the most important part of the season for us. It's a shame, but it does happen, especially so close to the finals. The same thing happened to us when Simon Storey left to go to Melbourne Victory as well. It happens to all of us (Foxtel Cup teams) not just Green Gully, but it's done now and we can't do much about it. We wish him all the very best of success and we move on."

"We had no choice in the matter at all. He's a good player and we will miss him, but the Pheonix wanted him to sign to provide cover for the injured Vince Lia. These types of players don't come by the truckload every other day of the week and we'll have to adjust accordingly as we prepare and concentrate on winning the championship."

"There's no doubt in my mind that Manny will be of great value to the Phoenix, but unfortunately we've lost a good player and won't be compensated for it.

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Green Gully Cavaliers	24	13	8	3	38	17	47
Melbourne Knights	23	12	10	1	41	21	46
Altona Magic	23	11	7	5	34	26	40
Richmond	24	11	6	7	55	31	39
Heidelberg Utd	24	9	9	6	35	29	36
Oakleigh Cannons	23	10	6	7	27	21	36
Preston Lions	24	11	3	10	33	41	36
A.I.S	24	9	5	10	36	32	32
South Melbourne	24	9	3	12	31	30	30
Coburg Utd	23	8	4	11	26	33	28
Whittlesea Zebras	24	6	8	10	29	32	26
Western Suburbs	24	5	7	12	20	33	22
Fawkner Blues	24	6	3	15	21	54	21
Frankston Pines	24	4	5	15	17	43	17

RESULTS

Richmond Eagles	2 - 0	South Melbourne
Frankston Pines	1 - 1	Heidelberg United
Altona Magic	2 - 1	Oakleigh Cannons
Melbourne Knights	1 - 0	Preston Lions
Fawkner Blues	1 - 0	AIS
Western Suburbs	0 - 1	Green Gully Cavaliers
Whittlesea Zebras	0 - 0	Coburg United

UNDER 21 DETAILS

Richmond 1 South Melbourne 0, Frankston Pines 2 Heidelberg Utd 0, Altona Magic 2 Oakleigh Cannons 3, Melbourne Knights Preston Lions , Western Suburbs 5 Green Gully Cavaliers 0, Fawkner Blues V.I.S ,

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Green Gully Cavaliers	24	15	3	6	38	22	48
Richmond	23	14	0	9	46	27	42
V.I.S	22	11	7	4	40	21	40
Preston Lions	21	10	6	5	31	19	36
Coburg Utd	22	11	3	8	37	30	36
Oakleigh Cannons	22	10	6	6	26	19	36
Melbourne Knights	21	10	6	5	27	28	36
Whittlesea Zebras	22	10	2	10	37	37	32
Western Suburbs	22	9	5	8	33	28	29
Fawkner Blues	20	8	3	9	22	27	24
Frankston Pines	24	7	2	15	16	30	23
Altona Magic	24	7	2	15	23	38	23
South Melbourne	23	5	5	13	16	37	20
Heidelberg Utd	24	3	4	17	21	50	13

THE TOP MARKSMEN

Player	Matches	Goals
Cardozo, Pablo Richmond SC	21	20
Barisic, Andrew Melbourne Knights SC	22	15
Curcija, Michael Altona Magic SC	21	13
Naidovski, Jason A.I.S	13	12
Cardozo, Richard Richmond SC	22	10
Lagana, Frankie M Oakleigh Cannons FC	18	10
Nikolic, Joel Green Gully Cavaliers	22	10
Karpeh, Jerry Whittlesea Zebras FC	22	9
Danning, Kofi D A.I.S	20	8
Sapazovski, Johnny Preston Lions SC	19	8
Catalano, Michael Richmond SC	22	7
De Moraes, Fernando South Melbourne FC	20	7
Sterjovski, Tony Preston Lions SC	18	7

ROUND 25 FIXTURES

OAKLEIGH CANNONS
V
RICHMOND EAGLES
Jack Edwards Reserve
Fri 15 Aug KO 8:30PM

A.I.S
V
ALTONA MAGIC
AIS Field 14 (Canberra)
Sat 16 Aug KO 2:00PM

GREEN GULLY
V
MELBOURNE KNIGHTS
Green Gully Reserve
Sat 16 Aug KO 4:00PM

COBURG UTD
V
FRANKSTON PINES
Knights Stadium
Sat 16 Aug KO 6:00PM

PRESTON LIONS
V
FAWKNER BLUES
BT Connor Reserve
Sun 17 Aug KO
3:00PM

WESTERN SUBURBS
V
HEIDELBERG UTD
Ralph Reserve
Sun 17 Aug KO 3:00PM

SOUTH MELBOURNE
V
WHITTLESEA ZEBRAS
Bob Jane Stadium
Sun 17 Aug KO 4:00PM

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RICHMOND EAGLES

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SOUTH MELBOURNE

EAGLES SINK CLAWS INTO SOUTH

Finals Football Beckons for Richmond

South Melbourne seems destined to miss out on finals action for a second consecutive season after the Blues conceded two late goals to lose 2-0 against a disciplined and hungry Richmond side on Friday night.

In what was dubbed as a six-point game prior to kick-off, South ventured to Richmond with strike duo Nathan Caldwell and Gianni De Nittis missing through injury and suspension. With Ricky Diaco already out injured, South went into the game with only one recognised striker on the team sheet, with youngster Hamlet Armenian expected to carry out the attacking duties.

In contrast, Richmond recalled Richard Cardozo to the starting line-up, with the goal sneak joining his brother Pablo up front to form a dynamic partnership that caused problems for the South defence throughout the entire match.

South started the game brightly with two speculative long range attempts by Fernando failing to trouble Richmond goalkeeper Stuart Webster, with the ball swinging wide of the target and out for a goal kick on both occasions. With vocal support behind them, the away side also came close in the 19th minute, when Fernando played a well-weighted through ball into the path of Hamlet Armenian. With Webster to beat, Armenian scuffed his shot, sending a simple ball into the arms of the prying goalkeeper.

In response, Richmond mustered its first threatening opportunity minutes later when a swinging corner found the head of Marco Kuck at the back post. Kuck then hit a headed ball back toward the six-yard box, causing panic in the South defence. With no defender able to clear the ball to safety, Dimitri Tsiaris muscled his way into the area and slipped an opportunistic strike on goal agonisingly wide of the target to the dismay of the home contingent.

South continued to pile on the pressure and nearly opened the scoring just before the interval, when a lovely run by Goran Zoric culminated in the midfielder skipping past a host of defenders before hitting a firm drive toward the bottom left hand corner. However the shot was cleanly foiled by Webster, who ensured that his side would go into the half time interval on level terms.

South had the first opportunity of the second half, with Fernando once again attempting a speculative long range attempt that flew inches over the bar. Richmond responded almost immediately when former South NSL player George Goutzoulis found his way into the area and within shooting range. With the defence backtracking, Goutzoulis hit a low drive on target, only for the ball to be saved well by Tommi Tomich in the South goal.

Despite the misses, Richmond did manage to find themselves in front in the 75th minute, when some lapse South marking allowed for the ball to fall into the path of Pablo Cardozo just outside the area. With Tomich inches off his line, Cardozo attempted an audacious volley that managed to dip substantially to find the back of the net.

With South unable to create many more chances in response, Cardozo iced the game five minutes later, after the Eagles were awarded a penalty when Goutzoulis was fouled just inside the area. From the resultant penalty, the Foxtel Cup leading goal scorer sent Tomich the wrong way to send his side closer to a finals birth.

The result means that Richmond moves up to third on the Foxtel Cup ladder and due to superior goal difference almost guarantees themselves a finals position. In contrast, South's finals hopes are almost impossible, with the club needing to win their last two games as well as rely on a magnitude of other results going their way to sneak into the top six. Ironically, the club is also still in danger of being sucked into the relegation zone, however a win against Whittlesea at Bob Jane Stadium next Sunday will confirm the club's status in the Foxtel Cup in 2009.

George Goutzioulis withstands some close attention from his South Melbourne counterpart in the crucial 2-0 win on Friday night

Eagles' Dimi Tsiaras swoops in to tackle South's Roran Zoric, and earns one of six yellow cards for the evening

Eagles:
S.Webster, J.Latinopoulos, S.Rexhepi, D.Tsiaras, G.Goutzioulis (N.Kalambokis 91'), R.Cardozo (J.Krncevic 62'), P.Cardozo, M.Catalano (A.Viola 86'), Z.Cvetkovski, N.Bahnsen, M.Kuck.

Scorers: P.Cardozo 76' & 90' (pen).
Yellow cards: Rexhepi 19', Tsiaras 43', Catalano 50', Latinopoulos 70', P.Cardozo 93'.
Red cards: None

South:
T.Tomich, A.Van Dommele, S.O'Dor, S.MacNicol, H.Armenian, S.Petrovich (A.Tavsancioglu 83'), G.Zoric, R.Tavsancioglu, F.de Moraes, S.Poutakidis, R.Wynne (F.Stella 79').

Scorers: None
Yellow cards: Wynne 25', Petrovich 42'.
Red cards: None

Man of the match -
Pablo Cardozo
(Eagles)

Crowd: Approx 700
Venue: Kevin Bartlett Reserve

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FRANKSTON PINES

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HEIDELBERG UNITED

PINES FRUSTRATE BERGERS

Plucky Pines Relegation Bound

Despite holding Heidelberg to a 1-1 draw at Monterey Reserve on Friday night, Frankston Pines look certain to be relegated following the completion of Round 24 of this year's VPL Foxtel Cup competition.

Both sides went into the match desperate for all three points with Frankston trying to climb off the bottom of the ladder & clinging to a slim hope of avoiding the drop, and Heidelberg on the other hand looking to climb back into the top six.

The visitors could not have got off to a better start, with a second minute goal from youngster Josh Groenewald giving them the lead. The Heidelberg forward was on hand to hit home a long free kick played in by Hockless by ghosting in at the far post to convert and leave the 'Bergers in front at 1-0. Heidelberg proceeded to dominate the next fifteen minutes, creating many opportunities to extend the lead, but a Tsiorlas header was well saved & a rasping shot by Groenewald from close range sailed just over the crossbar.

The home side, having withstood the early pressure, managed to square the ledger just shy of midway through the first half through Craig Smart. He managed to latch onto a loose ball in the box after Gavalas had only partially saved an earlier attempt & with the Heidelberg defence out of position, Smart's low shot from ten yards levelled the scores at 1-1. Frankston might have had a second goal minutes later, but Gavalas saved well to deny the home side the lead. The remainder of the half saw Heidelberg desperately trying to wrest control of the game back from Frankston, who by this stage had grown in confidence.

The second half saw the visitors completely dominate the play, but for all their pressure & possession, the 'Bergers inability to finish left the visitors frustrated. To the credit of Frankston, and in particular Peter Zois in goals, the Pines defence held firm in the face of continual pressure from the visitors.

Early on in the second period, several chances went begging for Heidelberg, including shots just wide by Tsiorlas, a Groenewald header flashing just wide & Hockless blasting over from a goal scoring position. Mark Tsiorlas did end up netting, but his effort after a move involving several Heidelberg players was immediately flagged offside. As the half wore on, Heidelberg pushed more players forward in an attempt to snatch a winner, and on a couple of occasions, if not for some good defending by Stefanou, may have been caught on the counter-attack by Frankston.

Zois was twice the hero for Frankston, first denying Tsiorlas & then Groenewald, both times when the 'Berger forwards had beaten the offside trap & found themselves with just the 'keeper to beat. Late on, Frankston were reduced to ten men following an off the ball incident, but the 'Bergers were unable to take advantage of their numerical advantage as Frankston managed to hold on for a point.

With the game finishing at 1-1, the 'Bergers were left to rue their lack of finishing & despite climbing back into the top six after the weekend's results, they are by no means certain of a top six finish, with Oakleigh (with a game in hand) and Preston joining Heidelberg on 36 points, the three teams separated only by goal difference. Frankston meanwhile will drop down to State League Division 1 next season, having been promoted to the VPL this season.

Next Saturday night, Frankston meet Coburg United at Knights Stadium, and on Sunday Heidelberg travel to Ralph Reserve to take on Western Suburbs.

Final Score at Monterey Reserve: Frankston Pines 1 (C.Smart 20') drew with Heidelberg United 1 (J. Groenewald 2')

Heidelberg United's Josh Groenewald enhanced his growing reputation with another goal, this time against Frankston Pines on Friday night.

Teams unavailable at time of printing

Crowd: 300

Man of the match: Peter Zois (Frankston Pines)

By John Fotinos

Photos by John Punshon

FAWKNER BLUES

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BLUES DEFEAT YOUNG GUNS

Retre Boys Do The Trick Again

In wet and wintery conditions at C.B Smith reserve, we saw a sloppy however entertaining game between second from bottom Fawkner Blues and the AIS.

New coach Carlos Retre has installed a bit of spirit and fight back into the Blues over the past 3 weeks since taking over the reigns from Vlado Vanis. Fawkner had to win to hold onto the very slim hope of survival in the Foxtel Cup where the AIS were hoping continue there pursuit of a first Foxtel Cup finals series.

In the first half a scrappy game which was not helped by the standard of the pitch saw the AIS have the first opportunity when Greer got in behind the right side of the Fawkner defense and on the half volley struck past keeper Fiorenza who could not do nothing but watch the post keep the scores level, as the ball ricocheted off the post Taylor had a shot from about 10 yards out for only the young Fawkner keeper to make a terrific reflex save. From the resulting corner slack marking from the Fawkner defense allowed Milovanovic header just over the bar. The opening goal came in the 25th minute mark when Chillico crossed from a corner kick which Youssef connected sweetly with a header to put the Blues ahead. Fawkner were denied the opportunity to go 2 nil up on the stroke of half time the linesman ruled Greechan to be offside after Chillico's shot from outside the box was drilled across the area. This ended a first half which was very evenally contested with both teams having the same amount of opportunity however Fawkner taking the opportunities that presented.

In the second half Fawkner continued to create chances as Youssef created havoc down the left side to take on 2 players to find his way open in the box for then only desperate AIS defending keeping the scores at 1 nil. AIS continued to have more of the possession but didn't really look like posing a real threat as the Fawkner defense looked steady. Alibeyi had the best chance in the second half when he dribbled through the AIS defense to find himself with time in the box with only the keeper to beat which then Redmayne made a fantastic save to keep his side in it. The AIS had one last chance to get something out of the game when Taylor found himself free in the area one on one with the keeper for only Fiorenza to make a great one on one save to keep in the lead.

Fawkner held onto a 1 nil win which was deserved after having the better of the opportunities throught out the game. AIS will be disappointed after a win would of kept them very much in contention for the Foxtel Cup finals however this result makes it very difficult as they are now 4 points away from six place. The AIS face Altona Magic in Canberra next week which will go far in determining both teams positions at the end of the season. Fawkner face much improved Preston at BT Connor reserve in another vital clash for both sides.

Fawkner captain and goalscorer Joey Youssef gets an unhelpful hand from Daniel Bowles while Rhyan Grant follows up

Man of the Match: A dam Zilic

Goals: Youssef 25th

Fawkner Blues: Fiorenza, Anifaloyin, Rocco, Principato, Alibeyi, Youssef, Chillico(Nuzzaco), Greechan, Cogger, Zilic, Petralito(Juric) Bench: Schwalger, Juric, Bazzano, Nuzzaco

AIS: Redmayne, Gallaway, Bowles, Milovanovic, Fondyke(Sunasky), Grant, Munro(Debono), Greer, Taylor, Danning, Obradovic Bench: Sunasky, Debono, Anderson, Cicak

By Richard Bartolo

Photo by John Punshon

WESTERN SUBURBS

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GREEN GULLY CAVALIERS

GULLY SECURES DOUBLE CHANCE

Fleming Roll Sinks Suburbs

A late goal Jeffrey Fleming goal (his second in two weeks), has secured for Green Gully a finals double chance in 2008. It is great news for the club that has finished in sixth placed and been eliminated in the first week of the finals, for the past two seasons.

There were chances galore for the visitors at Ralph Reserve. Typically the Western Suburbs team are very difficult to break down, especially at their home ground, but today Gully coach Ian Dobson claimed, "We had enough chances to win two or three games". Jeffrey Fleming's late goal (82nd minute), came as a great relief to the visitors, who in the minutes prior to the goal had seen Andy Vargas blast a penalty kick high and wide, whilst also seeing Dean Fak hit the cross bar from a header.

In the first half, it was a similar story. Scottish midfielder John Adam found time and space in the Western Suburbs penalty area, but after making the effort to control, and evade tackles, Adam lifted his shot well over the Western Suburbs goal. Some ten minutes later, a dangerous ball into the SUburbs penalty area found Campbell Banks in front of goal, but Banks also lifted his shot too high and over the Suburbs goal.

In the Under 21's competition, league leading Green Gully will need to keep focused in their two remaining league games, as their six point advantage, can still be caught by Richmond and the VIS who still have games in hand. Green Gully's 0-5 loss to Western Suburbs, not only is a drop of points, but also a significant loss in goal difference.

In other news, Manny Muscat, newly signed A-League Wellington Phoenix player, paid tribute to his Green Gully team members and the club, aswell as stating that hard work had helped him progress to the next level of his career.

Green Gully

#23 Tilovski Steven
#2 Ivesic Kristijan
#4 Fak Dean
#6 Kole Delev
#7 Fleming Jeffrey
#9 Banks Campbell
#11 John Adam
#12 Matthew Sanders
#14 Ollerton Ryan
#16 Medjedovic Mile
#17 Vargas Andy

#00 Ndongo Patric
#8 Aziz Behich
#10 Pedro Oliveira
#13 Michael Anderson
#19 Cameron Drake

Western Suburbs

#1 Stejpan Gal
#16 Arthur Tsonis
#4 Eddie Cetkin
#12 Nikola Rabma
#14 Lorenz Kindtner
#9 Johnny Cvetanovski
#13 Vasilios Siannidis
#7 Terry Antoniadis
#10 Tomi Razov
#15 Igor Khrapko
#19 Serkan Oskuz

#8 Ivan Razov
#17 Dimitri Hatzimouratis
#18 Vas Kalogoracos
#3 Nick Tolios
#20 Marijo Bosnjak

Western Suburbs 0 Green Gully 1
(Jeffrey Fleming 82m)

Man of the Match: Jeffrey Fleming

Crowd: 500

By Markian Jaworsky

Photos by Daniel Flis

Twister anyone? Action from Western Suburbs v Green Gully at Ralph Reserve yesterday

WHITTLESEA ZEBRAS

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COBURG UNITED

HANGING IN THE BALANCE

VPL Status' Remain In Doubt

The Whittlesea Zebras' reign in the Victorian top flight hangs precariously in the balance after another wasteful home performance resulted in a tense 0-0 draw with Coburg United at Epping Soccer Stadium.

In a game where neither side was able to put the finishing touches to some fine build-up play, Coburg's Anthony Magnacca provided a moment of pure inspiration early on, beating Whittlesea's Ross Antoniadis with a clever flick before unleashing a fierce drive on goal and forcing a fantastic save from stand-in 'keeper Robert Simeoni.

Play was halted in the 14th minute after the Zebras' Jerry Karpeh was felled in an off-the-ball incident. United surged forward from the resumption of play, with Andy Vlahos' left-footed strike again forcing Simeoni to produce another fine save.

Mustafa Mustafa's left-wing cross found Alex Josifovski at the far post just minutes later, but the striker misjudged his header and sent it high.

The Zebras had still not managed a shot on goal by the 22nd minute, but all that should have changed after Goran Talevski's cross picked out Karpeh inside the box. However, the striker's half-hearted effort allowed Coburg's Sime Kovacevic to head the danger clear.

Whittlesea's fortunes seemed to change in the 26th minute after Coburg 'keeper Thomas Kovar handled a backpass from his captain Serdar Pir. Match Official Senko Rastocic awarded a free-kick on the edge of the 6-yard box, but the Zebras failed to make the visitors pay, as Kovar redeemed himself with successive saves from Talevski and Antun Vulic.

Ross Thompson capped off some fine attacking play from United when he struck from distance in the 34th minute, but his strike sailed just inches over the crossbar, as both sides went into the break with nothing to show for their efforts.

There was more of the same to come in the second half, and the home fans were left frustrated after Karpeh failed to capitalise on a golden opportunity in the 55th minute. The front man only had to apply the finishing touch to a fine move started by Talevski and Vulic, who picked out Karpeh unmarked in the area. The striker reacted far too slowly however, allowing Kovar to close him down and produce a regulation save from an ultimately timid strike.

Talevski turned provider again in the 69th minute, picking out Karpeh with an inch perfect pass, but despite the striker's best efforts, he pushed his shot horribly wide.

Coburg then came close to breaking the deadlock in the 74th minute after Brendan Beni sent in a brilliant right-wing cross that Josifovski just failed to meet, although Mark Vazzocchi's attempted clearance almost produced a devastating own goal, were it not for the heroics of Simeoni.

The Zebras couldn't buy a goal, and it was the usual suspect Karpeh who again left the fans in disbelief. The striker's deft touch from the edge of the 6-yard box was saved superbly by Kovar, following a great piece of play from Ryan O'Hare, who intercepted the ball before finding Karpeh unmarked up front again.

Vlahos' 88th minute cross produced a fine overhead attempt from substitute Reginald Davani, before Josifovski again went close a minute later.

Zebras coach Ivan Jolic pulled a late surprise when he replaced Karpeh with regular first-choice 'keeper Kenny Gerochristodoulou in a cameo role as lone striker, but the move failed to have any real effect.

The home side had a final chance to snatch victory in injury time following a foul on the edge of the area, but Talevski was unable to find a way through the wall, ensuring that the Zebras' struggle for survival will go right down to the wire.

Zebras:
R.Simioni, R.Antoniadis, M.Vazzochi, J.Karpeh (K.Gerohristodolou 89'), G.Talevski, A.Vulic (R.O'Hare 72'), M.Pistininzi(A.Colosimo 64'), G.Lombardo, C.Molan, S.Martin.

Scorers: None
Yellow cards: Karpeh 75'.
Red cards: None

Zebras:
T.Kovar, S.Kovacevic, D.Nasteski, S.Pir, B.Beni, R.Thompson (T.Sumbul 85'), A.Vlahos, M.Mustafa, A.Magnacca (R.Davani 67'), P.Tichy, A.Josifovski (N.Lazarevski 90')

Scorers: None
Yellow cards: Beni 57'
Red cards: None

Crowd: 500
Venue: Epping Stadium

By Dave Kristy

Photo by Daniel Flis

Alex Josifovski in action for Coburg against Whittlesea Zebras

Coburg's Brendan Beni finds the going tough in the midfield as Steve martin closes in

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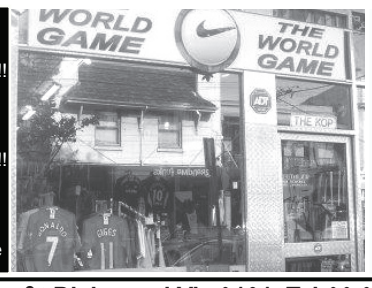

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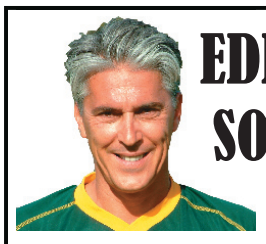

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THE SWINGING '60s

The first season of the Victorian Soccer Federation

Between 1958 and 1962 there was an acrimonious split in the ranks of Australian football, which among other things led to suspension of Australia's membership of FIFA and the replacement of the amateur bodies which ran the game at national and state levels by the Australian Soccer Federation and its state stakeholders.

In Victoria, the Victorian Soccer Federation (VSF) and the Victorian Amateur Soccer Football Association (VASFA) went to court and fought out a popularity contest on the field, but eventually reached an agreed settlement. The full story is told in my article, 'Marmaras's oyster or Seamonds' baby? The formation of the Victorian Soccer Federation, 1956-1964', Sporting Traditions, 10, No 2, 1994, pp. 3-24. Theo Marmaras, sometimes known as 'the oyster king' led the Federation push in Victoria, and Dr Henry Seamonds, a gynaecologist, was his equivalent in New South Wales.

Stuart Beaton who had been the secretary of VASFA became the first secretary of the VSF and on 31 March 1962 the inaugural season kicked off under the new organisation with 202 teams taking part, 108 seniors and 96 juniors. Thirteen more clubs had to be turned away because of lack of facilities and invited to play friendly matches for that year. So approximately 3000 players took part in that first season in the metropolitan competitions alone. You would have to add several more for the regional centres across the state where the game was played. Before the season proper started Wilhelmina won the Ampol Cup by three goals to two against George Cross with all five goals coming in a 22-minute period in the second half. Nine thousand watched the match. Wilhelmina, supported by the Dutch community, built its own stadium, Jubilee Park in Ringwood and this was opened by the Mayor, D J Baxter on 31 March with South Melbourne Hellas as the opposition for the match which followed.

South Melbourne Hellas, coached by Manny Poulakakis, was the inaugural State League winner under the VSF auspices and the top four included Juventus, Wilhelmina and JUST and all four qualified for national play-offs against teams from the other states. JUST only scraped into the last place with a 2–1 win over Hellas in the final round. Veroslav Mladenovic and van der Poel gave JUST a two-goal lead, but Takis Xanthopoulos's penalty beat keeper Steve Jankovic to set up a tight finish. The Hellas squad in 1962 included John Bedford, Antonis Hatzieleftheriou, Jordon Ieriemiadis, Stratos Kalogeros, Boulis Kambouropoulos, George Karpouzas, Bill Kourkolakos, Takis Mantarakis, John Margaritis, George Papadopoulos, George Penzo, Savvas Salapasidis, Ted Smith, Manny Tsolakis and Takis Xanthopoulos.

Crowds were good, with 25000 turning out at Olympic Park on 5 August 1962 for the clash between George Cross and Hellas. In September, Eric McCutcheon, Secretary of the Victorian Football League, announced that a 150,000 capacity stadium would be built at Waverley, 'to meet the challenge of soccer to Australian football.' Had Waverley Park been completed to that plan, it would have been the second biggest stadium in the world, behind only the Maracana in Brazil.

Fred Falzon of George Cross won the Argus Medal for the best and fairest in the State League. George Cross won the Dockerty Cup, beating Hakoah 3–0 in the final. Hellas also won the Reserve League that year, while the First Division North was won by Croatia and the Southern Division by Richmond Allemania. Coburg beat Sunshine City in the final of the Federation Cup.

At the end of the year the first Australia Cup was played involving the leading teams from New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and Queensland. Total attendance exceeded 100,000 and the Sydney clubs dominated with Yugal thrashing Budapest 8–1 at Wentworth Park in the final. Along the way Yugal beat Hellas 2–1 and Juventus by the same score in the semi-final, while Budapest Sydney beat Wilhelmina 2–0 and JUST went down to Adelaide Budapest by 3–1.

There was also a competition played throughout the year for the state teams and once again New South Wales was the winner, with Queensland as runner-up. Victoria was accused of complacency and did not win a match. Two of the Austrian stars whose arrival in Australia had helped to cause the FIFA suspension, Karol Jaros and Leo Baumgartner, scored in NSW's 2–0 win over Victoria at Olympic Park on 23 April in front of 15000 spectators. So Victoria drew the crowds but performances on the field were not so successful in that first year of Federation control.

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Greek side has the flag in sight!

HELLAS WILL NOT REGARD HAKOAH AS A SODA IN THEIR TITLE BID!

By MORRIE BUCKNER

South Melbourne-Hellas has taken a clear lead and is front-running in the race for the State League Championship, but now more than ever the team is exposed to the dangers involved in indulging in that heady and self-deceiving state of mind that we call over-confidence.

Hellas' brilliant coach, Manny Poulakakis, is well aware of this and he is sure to take special pains to hammer it into his players' heads that there can be absolutely no relaxing on their part when they meet Hakoah at Olympic Park on Saturday.

He will probably tell them, too, that they certainly didn't look like an all-conquering side when they played Polonia last Sunday, regardless of the fact that they won.

The fact that Hakoah was beaten 1-0 by Melbourne last week isn't a true guide either — just a few weeks ago, Hellas managed only to draw 1-1 with Melbourne on the tricky Hawthorn ground.

STRONG DEFENCE

Hellas will be wise to remember that Hakoah's defence is on a par with that of Juventus, George Cross and Hellas itself.

In the 17 rounds played so far, Hakoah has conceded three goals only once (to Wilhelmina), and two goals in each of four other matches (to Juventus, Hellas and George Cross (twice). In the remaining 12 games, it has

ST. ALBANS SCENE

Official held up with gun

MR M. BELLER, a St. Albans official, had his ear cut by a knife and was held up with a shotgun last Saturday . . . and all this happened at a soccer match!

It occurred a few minutes after referee Nagy abandoned the Second Division North match between St. Albans and Libertas in the 80th minute.

The referee stopped the game when St. Albans were leading 3-1 after he had been punched in the face by a player.

Then the trouble started. The St. Albans' committee, led by club president Mr Peter Ermstrang, rushed on to the ground to protect the referee from further injury.

A spectator appeared with a knife in his hand and stabbed Mr Beller's ear.

Officials chased the spectator as he ran to a car. When they reached him another man appeared with a shotgun and told them to back away. The vehicle then drove off at high speed with the two men inside.

Mr Ermstrang told Soccer Weekly: "In all my soccer experience I have never seen anything like it before. It was a shocking scene and I hope I never see anything like it again.

MARILYN MONROE is in the news after being sacked from the show "Something's Got to Give", so we thought we'd revive an old picture of her with a new angle on soccer.

Like it?

Sorry you can't sign her for your club.

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BIG CROWD? Yes, soccer is gaining popularity in Melbourne, just take a look at this crowd in the outer at Olympic Park last Sunday. They went to see South Melbourne-Hellas beat Polonia 3-1. Here Hellas centre-forward Hatzieleftheriou (ex-

Even Marilyn Monroe got in the act in 1962. This shot of the star kicking a football appeared regularly in Soccer News and Soccer Weekly over the years. Here it is on the front page of Soccer Weekly on 26 July 1962. The page also records a knife attack on a referee by a spectator who was spirited away by another wielding a shotgun.

Words by Roy Hay

Photos sourced by Roy Hay

Takis Mantarakis clears from Schumacher (left) and Veroslav Mladenovic of JUST while Bill Kourkolakos of Hellas takes evasive action at Middle Park in 1962. Photo: Uwe Kuessner, Soccer Weekly front page, 14 June 1962.

Theo Marmaras, President of the Victorian Soccer Federation and Gaetone Boggi of Juventus. Photo: Les Shorrock. Les Shorrock collection, Deakin University Library.

John Margaritis about to shoot and score in Hellas's 3–1 win over Lions at Olympic Park on 15 April 1962. Photo: Uwe Kuessner, Soccer Weekly front page, 19 April 1962.

Round Eighteen

LIONS UPSET INTER

Ashy's Draw Cuts Lead To Three Points

Round 20 of the WPL did little to assuage the congestion at the top of the ladder, with Ashburton closing the gap to Box Hill by a point, and Preston leapfrogging Sandringham in to fourth. Preston was the big winner of the round, with its shock victory over Box Hill. Heidelberg, Casey and Keilor were all also victorious.

The picture regarding relegation got murkier rather than clearer this week, as there is still no official position on how many clubs will be relegated from the WPL at the end of the season. The situation took an interesting turn this week, as the FFV removed all of the now defunct Eastern Lions results from the first half of the season, changing all points totals, goals for and against and goalscorer records. This was due to a decision that as the postponed Round 11 had not actually been concluded, as per Rule 1.6, all results were erased. The WPL now officially contains eleven teams, but whether that means that the current bottom two, GSL and South Melbourne, will drop to State League 1, or just GSL, or another yet to be determined number, is still a matter of conjecture. The Women's Standing Committee is apparently in the process of considering the FFV's proposal that the number of teams in the league be reduced to ten, but how that would actually be determined is still a mystery. It now seems very likely that we will reach the culmination of the home and away season without teams knowing where they will begin next season.

Keilor Park bounced back from three straight defeats to pick up its fourth victory of the season with a 3-0 triumph over Bendigo Vipers at Beischer Oval on Saturday. Two first half goals set up the victory, with a third after the interval the icing on the cake. Lauren Farrugia, Sheridan Sikic and Melissa Bogoeveska were all on target for the visiting side. Keilor's win was even more impressive, given that the majority of sides have found the journey to regional Victoria a tough one, with Bendigo having only lost three home matches prior to this weekend. The result enables Keilor to open up a five point gap between it and tenth-placed South Melbourne, while Bendigo remains seventh.

The competition's other regional side, GSL, also hosted a home match on Saturday, and suffered a similar fate to Bendigo. GSL took on Casey Comets at Latrobe City Sports Club, and was soundly despatched 5-1 by the Comets. The home side took the fight to Casey in the first half and, with the score at 2-1 at half time, it was still in with a shout. However, the visitor dominated the second period, scoring three unanswered goals to claim its fifth win of the year. Jeni Black, Linda Restrepo, Marcelina Allegria, Vanessa Hellar and Gabrielle Lee scored for Casey, with Taryn Browne on target for the home side. The result makes no difference to the ladder, with GSL remaining eleventh, and Casey eighth.

The upset of the round came at BT Connor Reserve on Sunday, when Preston Lions overcame ladder leader Box Hill Inter 2-1 to significantly boost its chances of participating in the upcoming finals series. The home side was one goal to the good at half time, thanks to a Sarah Lovett strike and, although the second half proved even in terms of goals with both sides netting once, Preston held on to claim the three points and hand Inter its second defeat of the season. Preston's Nikki Garner and Inter's Georgia Koutrouvelis got the goals in the second half. As a result of the defeat, Box Hill's lead at the top of the ladder is cut to three points, while Preston climbs a place to fourth, and increases the gap between it and sixth place to four points with two games to go.

Sarah Lovett (Preston Lions) beats Krystal McCluskey (Box Hill) in this encounter at Connor Reserve

Heidelberg United ensured that South Melbourne's resurgence was short lived, as it defeated the Albert Park side 4-2 at Bob Jane Stadium on Sunday. The result lifts the reigning premier into third place on the ladder, and boosts the likelihood of it securing a double chance in the finals. The visitor enjoyed narrow lead at halftime, thanks to goals from Melanie Camilleri and Chrissy Baxendale, with Aimee Benton on target for South. The second half followed a similar pattern to the first, with United scoring twice to the home side's one, with Belinda Pannella grabbing a brace and Laura Spiranovic adding a consolation for the home side. South remain tenth on the ladder, seven points clear of GSL which it faces on Wednesday night, but five points adrift of Keilor Park.

The final match of the round featured two of the top five in Ashburton and Sandringham and it promised so much but, in terms of goals at least, delivered so little. Both sides have lost key players recently to university in the United States, and it evidently has taken its toll on their ability to score goals, with the match ending 0-0. Ashburton will no doubt rue the missed opportunity, as a win would have closed the gap between it and ladder leader Box Hill to just one point. As it stands, Ashburton is three points behind, but even a win in the last game of the season when the two meet would not be enough, due to its significantly inferior goal difference. Sandringham drops to fifth on the ladder, with only one win in its last six matches and, with tough games against Box Hill and Casey to come, in real danger of missing out on the finals. It is, however, still three points clear of sixth-placed Eltham North, which had the bye.

Next weekend is the penultimate round of the home and away season, and it begins on Friday night at Wembley Park when Box Hill hosts Sandringham in a must-win game for the visiting side, then on Saturday afternoon, Eltham North returns to action as it takes on GSL at Anderson Park. Heidelberg United will look to sew up its place in the finals when it clashes with Ashburton at Olympic Village on Sunday, while in Albert Park, South Melbourne plays Bendigo Vipers in its final game of the season. Also on Sunday, Casey Comets and Preston Lions meet at Comets Stadium in the final match of the round.

Brave keeping from Preston's Nabby Saliba as Box Hill's Amanda Lawless comes crashing through. Kate Christoff is on hand to mop up

By Niki Cook

Photos by John Punshon

WPL ROUND 18 RESULTS

Bendigo Vipers 0 Keilor Park 3 (L Farrugia S Sikic M Bogoevska), **GSL 1** (TJ Browne) **Casey Comets 5** (J Black V Hellar L Restrepo M Alegria G Lee), **Preston Lions 2** (S Lovett NE Garner) **Box Hill Inter 1** (G Koutrouvelis), **South Melbourne 2** (A Benton L Spiranovic) **Heidelberg Utd 4** (M Camilleri B Pannella 2 C Baxendale), **Sandringham 0 Ashburton 0**

WPL STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Box Hill Inter	18	14	2	2	53	12	44
Ashburton	18	12	5	1	41	16	41
Heidelberg Utd	18	11	1	6	51	26	34
Preston Lions	18	11	0	7	24	21	33
Sandringham	18	9	5	4	21	17	32
Eltham North	18	9	2	7	40	25	29
Bendigo Vipers	18	5	5	8	12	29	20
Casey Comets	18	5	3	10	25	32	18
Keilor Park	19	4	4	11	30	46	16
South Melbourne	18	3	2	13	24	44	11
GSL	17	1	1	15	13	66	4

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Round 12
South Melbourne v GSL
DISC
Wed 13 Aug KO 8:30PM

Round 21
Box Hill Inter v Sandringham
Wembley Park
Fri 15 Aug KO 8:30PM

Eltham North v GSL
Anderson Park
Sat 16 Aug KO 3:00PM

Heidelberg Utd v Ashburton
Olympic Village
Sun 17 Aug KO 1:00PM

South Melbourne v Bendigo Vipers
Albert Park Field 13
Sun 17 Aug KO 1:00PM

Casey Comets v Preston Lions
Comets Stadium
Sun 17 Aug KO 1:00PM

Keilor Park WSC v Bye

WPL RESERVES RESULTS

Bendigo Vipers 2 Keilor Park 1 (B Lonigro), GSL 0 Casey Comets 3, Preston Lions Box Hill Inter , South Melbourne 0 Heidelberg Utd 5, Sandringham 2 Ashburton 1

WPL RESERVES STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Ashburton	18	17	0	1	70	11	51
Box Hill Inter	17	14	2	1	50	12	44
Sandringham	18	12	2	4	62	22	38
Heidelberg Utd	16	9	4	3	35	21	31
Keilor Park	18	8	4	6	36	25	28
Casey Comets	18	7	2	9	32	42	23
Bendigo Vipers	18	6	1	11	25	36	19
Eltham North	18	2	5	11	13	49	11
Preston Lions	17	2	4	11	18	46	10
South Melbourne	17	3	1	13	26	70	10
GSL	17	2	3	12	12	45	9

EUROPEAN ACTION RE-COMMENCES IN STYLE

Open Day Drama in French, German and Scottish Leagues

Forget the hectic European summer jam-packed with transfer speculation, scandalous statements from the Cristiano Ronaldo saga and the wash up of Euro 2008, action finally translated from the sidelines and the headlines of the newspapers to the football pitch this weekend.

Both the French and Scottish leagues returned to action for their opening encounters of their respective seasons, whilst in Germany Bundesliga sides warmed up for their 2008-09 campaign with impressive victories in the German Cup.

Goal! Weekly reporter Julius Ross checks out the pick of the action on the European continent.

Champagne Football – French Ligue 1

The French Ligue 1 kicked off in dramatic fashion on Saturday night (AEST) with late drama in several key opening clashes.

Title contenders Marseille surrendered a 3-1 lead away to Rennes to draw 4-4 in a gripping conclusion in the North-West of France.

Marseille will be infuriated at their lack of composure in the final minutes, after unnecessarily dropping two vital points to kick-start their 2008-09 campaign.

Olivier Thomert opened the scoring for Rennes after a mere six minutes, but Marseille replied strongly through Bakari Kone, Hatem Ben Afra and Mamadou Niang to put the away side in a commanding position at half-time.

Rennes launched a fight back in the second half, drawing level through a second goal from Thomert and an own-goal in the 89th minute.

A minute later it appeared that Marseille had secured all three points through an Eliot Grandin strike to make it 4-3, but Rennes' Bruno Cheyrou snatched a point in the dying seconds.

Newly promoted Grenoble produced some of its own drama in its clash against Sochaux,

Marseille´s Mamadou Niang (R) chases Rennes´s Jerome Leroy during their French L1 football match in Rennes. The match ended in a 4-4 draw.

securing a spectacular victory through late goals by Nassim Akrour and Daniel Moreira who scored in the 87th and 88th minutes, respectively.

Bordeaux shot to the top of the Ligue 1 table courtesy of Fernando Cavenaghi's goal 10 minutes from time, handing it a 2-1 victory over Caen.

Other fixtures were decided in less dramatic fashion, with four 1-0 victories and a 0-0 draw rounding out the opening day results.

Monaco defeated Paris St Germain thanks to a Frederic Nimani header and Valenciennes beat St Etienne through a penalty from Gael Danic.

Lorient also secured victory via the penalty spot, defeating Le Mans 1-0 with Christophe Jallet slotting home.

Nice succumbed to a lone strike from Le Harve's Jean-Michel whilst Julien Quercia's strike helped Auxerre to success against Nantes.

Lille and Nancy played out the only draw of the opening day, with neither side finding the break through in a tense 0-0 draw which saw Lille reduced to 10 men in the final minute.

Current league Champions Lyon began its title defence at home against Toulouse on Monday morning (AEST).

Bundesliga Clubs Serve up Sauerkraut for Lowly Sides in German Cup

In Germany, Bundesliga sides showed no mercy to their inferior opponents in the second round of the German Cup on Saturday.

A week before the Bungesliga kicks-off for the 2008-09 season, the premier division clubs showed off their goal scoring credentials and sent out warnings to their opponents in a series of merciless victories against lowly opposition.

Werder Bremen demolished fourth-division Eintracht Nordhorn 9-3 in the match of the round, with Markus Rosenberg snatching four goals and Hugo Almeida securing a hat-trick in the 12-goal encounter.

Hannover continued the destruction with a 5-0 thumping of Hallescher FC in a heated encounter.

The clash was marred briefly by violence in the stands between opposing supporters, which caused a 10 minute delay to play, but even when police had defused the potentially volatile situation off-pitch, Hannover continued their on-pitch demolition.

Borussia Moenchengladbach were far from lenient on Fitche Bielefield, humiliating the minnows 8-1, whilst Borussia Dortmund further stamped the authority of the Bungelsiga with victory over fourth-division side Rot-Weiss Essen.

Eintracht Frankfurt, Energie Cottbus and Schalke all battered their opponents by 3-0 score lines, with SC Pfullendorf, TB Berlin and Homburg suffering the damage from their respective opponents.

Rangers Kick-Start Campaign with Gutsy Victory

Rangers kicked off their 2008-09 SPL campaign with a win on the opening day

Dutch international Mark van Bommel has been handed the captain's armband by Bayern Munich coach Jurgen Klinsmann, the German club said on Friday.

of the season courtesy of Andius Velicka's second-half tap-in against Falkirk.

But it wasn't all easy sailing for the Glasgow club who were looking to get off to winning ways after being knocked out of Europe by underdogs FBK Kaunas midweek.

It was looking bleak for the Ibrox club in the 54th minute after they conceded a penalty to the home side, but had 'keeper Allan McGregor to thank for turning Michael Hidgon's shot round the post.

Velicka's goal was enough as Rangers held on away from home to put pressure on Celtic, the current SPL Champion, in a season where the Glasgow giants will almost certainly again fight it out for the title.

Elsewhere, Hearts and Motherwell played out a 3-2 thriller, Kilmarnock secured a 1-0 victory over Hibernian and Inverness won 2-0 against Aberdeen.

By Julius Ross

Photos by Soccer Way

A-LEAGUE INS AND OUTS

Ahead of the official launch of the Hyundai A-League 2008/09 season on Monday in Sydney, this official FFA preview details the fine-tuning during the off-season by each of the 8 Hyundai A-League clubs.

At a Glance
How many players have changed clubs?

Club	In	Out	Retired
Adelaide United	7	8	1
Mariners	5	5	2
Victory	6	6	-
Newcastle Jets	6	9	1
Perth Glory	8	5	-
Roar	7	4	-
Sydney FC	6	7	-
Phoenix	8	10	-

Who are the foreign players and where do they come from?

NAME	Club	COUNTRY
Alemao	Ade Utd	Brazil
Cassio	Ade Utd	Brazil
Cristiano	Ade Utd	Brazil
Diego	Ade Utd	Brazil
Grant BREBNER	Victory	Scotland
Ney FABIANO	Victory	Brazil
HERNANDEZ	Victory	Costa Rica
Jose Luis LOPEZ	Victory	Costa Rica
HAKANSSON	Jets	Denmark
Jin Hyung SONG	Jets	South Korea
James ROBINSON	Glory	England
Adrian TRINIDAD	Glory	Argentina
Amaral	Glory	Brazil
Eugene DADI	Glory	Ivory Coast
Sergio van DIJK	Roar	Netherlands
Hyuk-Su SEO	Roar	South Korea
Charlie MILLER	Roar	Scotland
Mike ENFIELD	Syd FC	USA
Terry McFLYNN	Syd FC	Nth Ireland
Daniel	Phoenix	Brazil
Leilei GAO	Phoenix	China

ADELAIDE UNITED

Re-signed: Daniel Beltrame (1 year), Fabian Barbiero (1 year), Angelo Costanzo (1 year), Eugene Galekovic (2 years), Lucas Pantelis (2 years), Kristian Sarkies (2 years), Michael Valkanis (1 year).

In: Alemao (CA Juventus , Brazil – 2 years), Mark Birighitti (Australian Institute of Sport - 2 years), Cristiano (Willem II, Netherlands – 2 years), Daniel Mullen (AIS - 1 year), Sasa Ognenovski (Queensland Roar – 2 years) , Paul Reid (Brighton & Hove Albion – 2 years), Robbie Younis (APIA Leichhardt Tigers - 2 years)

Out: Richie Alagich (retired), Robert Bajic (released), Nathan Burns (AEK Athens), Bruce Djite (Genclerbirligi, Turkey), Dez Giraldi (released), Shaun Ontong (Newcastle Jets), Bobby Petta (released) and Milan Susak (released).

CENTRAL COAST MARINERS

Re-signed: Nigel Boogaard (2 years), Andrew Clark (1 year), Andre Gumprecht (1 year), John Hutchinson (2 years), Mile Jedinak (2 years), Nik Mrdja (1 year), Matt Osman (1 year), Brad Porter (2 years), Matt Simon (2 years).

In: Pedj Bojic (Sutherland Sharks – 1 year), Adrian Caceres (Melbourne Victory - 2 years), David D'Apuzzo (APIA Leichhardt – 1 year), Ahmad Elrich (Wellington Phoenix - 2 years), Dylan Macallister (FC Lyn, Norway - 2 years)

Out: John Aloisi (end of contract), Damien Brown (retired), Adam Kwasnik (Wellington Phoenix), Ian McAndrew (released), Tom Pondeljak (Melbourne Victory), Matthew Trott (released) and Tony Vidmar (retired)

MELBOURNE VICTORY

Re-signed: Steven Pace (2 years), Daniel Vasilevski (2 years), Nick Ward (1 year – Under 23 Marquee player)

In: Billy Celeski (Perth Glory – 1 year), Nathan Elasi (Marconi Stallions – 2 years), Jose Luis Lopez (Deportivo Saprissa, Costa Rica – 2 year loan), Ney Fabiano (Chonburi FC, Thailand – 2 years), Tom Pondeljak (Central Coast Mariners – 2 years),Michael Thwaite (SK Brann, Norway – 1 year loan)

Out: Adrian Caceres (Central Coast Mariners), Joseph Keenan (released), Leandro Love (end of loan from Vissel Kobe, Japan), Ljubo Milicevic (released), Kaz Patafta (Newcastle Jets), Daniel Piorkowski (released).

NEWCASTLE JETS

Re-signed: Adam D'Apuzzo (2 years), Tarek Elrich (2 years), Ben Kennedy (2 years)

In: Antun Kovacic (Richmond - 2 years), Jason Naidovski (AIS - 2 years), Shaun Ontong (Adelaide United - 2 years), Kaz Patafta (Melbourne Victory – 1 year), Jesper Hakansson (Lyngby BK - 2 years).

Out: Mark Bridge (Sydney FC), Denni (released), Jorge Drovandi (released), Andrew Durante (Wellington Phoenix), Steve Eagleton (retired), Troy Hearfield (Wellington Phoenix), Mario Jardel (released), Paul Kohler (released), Stuart Musialik (Sydney FC), Scott Tunbridge (released)

PERTH GLORY

Re-signed: Jamie Coyne (2 years), Jimmy Downey (2 years), Jamie Harnwell (2 years), Jason Petkovic (1 year), James Robinson (1 year), Naum Sekulovski (1 year), David Tarka (1 year).

In: Amaral (Grêmio Barueri, Brazil - 1 year), Eugene Dadi (Hapoel Acre, Israel - 1 year), Hayden Doyle (Niki Volou FC, Greece – 1 year), Frank Juric (Hannover 96, Germany - 2 years), Mark Lee (ECU Joondalup, WA - 1 year), Josip Magdic (Floreat Athena, WA - 1 year), Adriano Pellegrino (Metro Stars, Adelaide - 1 year), Adrian Trinidad (KL PLUS FC, Malaysia - 1 year)

Out: Leo Bertos (Wellington Phoenix), Billy Celeski (Melbourne Victory), Simon Colosimo (Sydney FC), Stan Lazaridis (released), Mitchell Prentice (Sydney FC)

QUEENSLAND ROAR

Re-signed: Josh McCloughan (2 years), Griffin McMaster (2 years), Liam Reddy (3 years).

Victory's new Brazilian recruit Fabiano gets a grip of local conditions with Roddy Vargas during a recent training session. PHOTO:Peter Kakalias

In: Luke DeVere (Australian Institute of Sport – 2 years), David Dodd (Palm Beach,QLD - 2 years), Charlie Miller (Lierse SK, Belgium – 2 years), Tommy Oar (Queensland Academy of Sport - 3 years), Reinaldo (Busan I'Park, Korea Republic – 3 years), Tim Smits (Rochedale Rovers, QLD - 2 years), Sergio van Dijk (FC Emmen, Netherlands - 2 years).

Out: Matt Ham (released), Simon Lynch (released), Marcinho (released), Sasa Ognenovski (Adelaide United).

Sydney FC

In: John Aloisi (Central Coast Mariners – 2 years), Mark Bridge (Newcastle Jets – 3 years), Simon Colosimo (Perth Glory – 2 years), Stuart Musialik (Newcastle Jets – 2 years), Chris Payne (Manly United – 2 years), Mitchell Prentice (Perth Glory – 2 years).

Out: Mark Milligan (released), Patrick (released), Mark Rudan (Avispa Fukuoka, Japan), Ufuk Talay (Avispa Fukuoka, Japan), Ben Vidaic (released), Ruben Zadkovich (Derby County, England), David Zdrilic (released).

WELLINGTON PHOENIX

Re-signed: Vince Lia (2 years)

In: Leo Bertos (Perth Glory - 2 years), Andrew Durante (Newcastle Jets - 2 years), Leilei Gao (MyPa, Finland – 1 year), Troy Hearfield (Newcastle Jets - 2 years), Adam Kwasnik (Central Coast Mariners – 1 year), Jon McKain (Politechnica Timisoara, Romania - 2 years), David Mulligan (Port Vale, England – 2 years), Ben Sigmund (Auckland City, NZ - 1 year).

Out – Ross Aloisi (retired), Royce Brownlie (released), Cleberson (released), Ahmad Elrich (Central Coast Mariners), Felipe (released), Steven O'Dor (released), Steven Old (Macarthur Rams, NSW Premier League), George Paladini (released), Kristian Rees (short-term player, released), Jacob Spoonley (released).

Don't forget to read Mike Salter's full preview of A-league Version IV on page 2.

GEORGIES IN BOX SEAT

Thunder Maintain the Rage, Langy Slip Again

The Sunshine Georgies have ensured they remain at the head of the table for one more week at least, with a 2-0 win over St Albans at Churchill Reserve yesterday. Steven Manceski put the visitors in front in the first half, before an embarrassing own goal sealed the Georgies' second consecutive victory, and halting the sixth-placed St Albans momentum heading into the final rounds of the season.

SL1 action between langwarrin and Bullen Royals

Dandenong have maintained the single-point deficit at the top of the ladder with a 3-0 defeat of Westgate at Ardeer Reserve on Saturday afternoon. Despite being held to a goalless first half by the home side, the second-placed Thunder showed their class after half time with two goals to Joseph Di Iorio and a single goal to Mohammed Alsakran, extending the games since Westgate's last victory to seven.

Keilor Park have also broken their own losing streak, triumphing in the battle for last place, winning 4-1 over Kingston City at Keilor Park Reserve on Saturday. A first-half goal to Chris Motsianos gave the home side the advantage heading into the second half, which Keilor made the most of with Motsianos scoring his second, and Lorenzo Carbone and Grant Mussel netting their first to seal the valuable three points. While Lindurim Tairi managed to hit back with a late goal for Kingston, it was little consolation as his side's battle against relegation became much more difficult, as Keilor now have a three-point buffer at the bottom of the ladder.

Remaining within three points too was Langwarrin, after the tenth-placed side succumbed to promotion-aspirant Bulleen 2-0 at Lawton Park Reserve on Saturday afternoon. Langwarrin, though putting up a valiant fight in keeping a clean sheet for the first half, the Royals broke through in the second half with goals to Haris Vrbovac and Saso Becvinovski. Bulleen have now won three games in a row to keep their flickering top-two hopes alive.

The third-placed Southern Stars have kept themselves well and truly in the hunt for promotion, after prevailing 1-0 over FC Clifton Hill at Ross Reserve, though not without a scare. With the majority of the game gone, Sercan Doganay became the hero for the Stars' after netting the only goal of the match, securing the Southern Stars twelfth victory of the season.

By Jeremy O'Neill

Photo by Darryl Kennedy

Goooooooooooal! A four man Langy defence is unable to stop the Bullen Royals hit the back of the net. The Royals ran out victors 3-0 and piled more misery on Gus McLeod's men.

SL1 ROUND 19 RESULTS

Keilor Park 4 (L Carbone G Mussel C Motsianos 2) Kingston City 1 (L Tairi), Southern Stars 1 (S Doganay) FC Clifton Hill 0, Westgate 0 Dandenong Thunder 3 (J Di Iorio 2 MA Alsakran), Langwarrin 0 Bulleen Royals 2 (H Vrbovac S Becvinovski), St Albans Saints 0 Sunshine Georgies 2 (S Manceski Own Goal)

SL1 STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Sunshine Georgies	19	13	3	3	31	11	42
Dandenong Thunder	19	12	5	2	42	16	41
Southern Stars	19	12	2	5	32	24	38
Bulleen Royals	19	9	7	3	42	21	34
Bentleigh Greens	18	9	5	4	31	21	32
St Albans Saints	19	7	3	9	26	32	24
FC Clifton Hill	19	6	5	8	24	36	23
Springvale White Eagles	18	4	6	8	21	27	18
Westgate	19	3	7	9	19	27	16
Langwarrin	19	4	4	11	19	27	16
Keilor Park	19	4	4	11	18	39	16
Kingston City	19	4	1	14	19	43	13

TOP SCORERS

Becvinovski (Royals)	**9** games	**13** goals
Davidson (Thunder)	**8**	**11**
Di Iorio (Thunder)	**7**	**9**
Doganay (Stars)	**6**	**9**
Loncaric (Saints)	**8**	**8**

NEXT ROUND

Kingston City v Sunshine Georgies
The Grange Reserve
Fri 22 Aug KO 8:30PM

Keilor Park v Langwarrin
Keilor Park Reserve
Sat 23 Aug KO 3:00PM

FC Clifton Hill v Springvale WE
Kevin Bartlett Reserve
Sat 23 Aug KO 3:00PM

Dandenong Thunder v Southern Stars
George Andrews Reserve
Sat 23 Aug KO 7:00PM

Bentleigh Greens v St Albans Saints
Kingston Heath Soccer Complex
Sun 24 Aug KO 3:00PM

Bulleen Royals v Westgate
Veneto Social Club
Mon 25 Aug KO 8:15PM

RESERVES RESULTS

Keilor Park 11 (S Bojkovski 2 A Chawk 4 M Mazzarino 2 M Mohamed F Sirgiovanni DP Genovese) Kingston City 0, Southern Stars 1 FC Clifton Hill 5, Westgate 1 Dandenong Thunder 3, Langwarrin 1 Bulleen Royals 2, St Albans Saints Sunshine Georgies ,

RESERVES STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Bentleigh Greens	18	15	0	3	59	24	45
Langwarrin	19	13	3	3	53	24	42
Bulleen Royals	19	12	2	5	45	20	38
Keilor Park	19	11	5	3	52	28	38
FC Clifton Hill	19	10	3	6	46	34	33
Southern Stars	19	7	6	6	40	40	27
Sunshine Georgies	18	5	7	6	26	27	22
Westgate	19	5	2	12	24	53	17
Dandenong Thunder	19	4	2	13	39	58	14
Springvale White Eagles	18	3	5	10	26	50	14
St Albans Saints	18	2	6	10	31	46	12
Kingston City	19	3	3	13	29	66	12

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ANDY VARGAS

GREEN GULLY CAVALIERS FC

FULL NAME: Patricio Andres (Andy) Vargas
BIRTHPLACE: Australia
BIRTH DATE: 3-7-77
HEIGHT: 178cm
WEIGHT: 73kg
MARRIED: Engaged to Paz
CAR: Holden Acclaim
OCCUPATION OUTSIDE OF FOOTBALL:
Stay at home dad!!!
NICKNAME: Andy, Chala
PREVIOUS CLUBS:
Melbourne Knights (NSL), Morwell Falcons (NSL)
REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS:
Joeys,Young Socceroos, Olyroos, Vic State team
CHILDHOOD FOOTBALL HERO: Diego Armando Maradona.MARADOOOO!!!! MARADOOOO!!!!
FAVOURITE O/S PLAYER: Riquelme, Ronaldinho
FAVOURITE FOXTEL CUP PLAYER:
Cardozo brother's.What's up boys?!!! :)
FAVOURITE FORMER SOCCEROO:
Oscar Crino, Paul Trimboli, John Markovski
FAVOURITE CURRENT SOCCEROO:Vincenzo Grella, Rodrigo Vargas. Give him a run Pim!!! :)
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH AS A PLAYER:
1st game for Colo Colo (Chile) 1993 and everytime I played for Australia
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH AS A FAN: Australia v Japan 06 World Cup. Fed Square goin off wit da boys!!! Unbelievable!!!
MOST MEMORABLE GOAL YOU'VE SCORED:
They're all memorable!!!
FUNNIEST MOMENT IN FOOTBALL:
Watching Dean Fak celebrate a goal I clearly scored! U know it Fak! :)
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Not continuing to play with my brother. He's killin' it and deserves it! x
WORST INJURY: Thank God, nothing too serious!
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Most VPL Grounds!!!
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Bob Jane
SUPERSTITIONS: Not to believe in any
TYPICAL MATCH DAY MEAL: Pasta and bread
WHAT ARE YOUR STRENGTHS: Vision,distribution
WHAT ARE YOUR WEAKNESSES:
Tracking and chocolate!!!
FAVOURITE TEAM WHEN GROWING UP:
Colo Colo, Liverpool
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Appreciate all sports
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTSPERSON:
Michael Jordan
FAVOURITE FOODS:
Mum's and the missus' cooking!!!
FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS:
Denzel Washington,Sharon Stone
HOBBIES:Kicking it with my family and friends
FAVOURITE HOLIDAY RESORT: San Antonio,Chile
FAVOURITE NIGHTSPOT: Nitecat on Sunday nights
IDEAL DATE: My missus
FAVOURITE TV SHOWS: The Simpsons - Doh!
FAVOURITE MUSIC: Reggae, hip hop - bit of everything!
FAVOURITE FILM: Scarface."say hello to my little friend!!!"
LAST SOCCER SHIRT YOU BOUGHT: Back in the day! Think it was liverpool...
FUNNIEST RUMOUR YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT YOURSELF: Haven't heard any.Let me know if u do!
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Parents Juan and Gladys xxx
BIGGEST DRAG IN SOCCER: Pre Season! Run Forest run!!!
FOOTBALL AMBITION: Stay fit and healthy and to contribute positively on team
WHICH PERSON IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET? : Jesus Christ my saviour
YOUR TIP FOR THIS YEAR'S FOXTEL CUP: The Green Machine from the Gully!!!

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ALTONA MAGIC

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OAKLEIGH CANNONS

MAGIC MANOEUVRES PAST CANNONS

Curcija Returns a Winner

In Round 24 of the Foxtel Cup, finals contenders Altona Magic and Oakleigh Cannons battled it out at Paisley Park. Altona Magic triumphed 2-1, against the Oakleigh Cannons, making that step closer to cementing their finals spot.

From the first whistle both teams were at it early, doing their all to take a strangle hold of the match, which saw some fierce fifty, fifty challenges all over the park.

The first chance of the match fell to the visiting team, with Oakleigh playmaker Bill Damianos playing a wonderfully weighted ball into the path of Oakleigh striker Juan Nilo, whose effort was blocked by the legs of Altona goalkeeper, Bojo Jevdjevic.

Five minutes later on the 13th minute Altona Magic opened the deadlock, through consistent goal getter Pece Cergovski. The move began from an exceptional penetrating cross by Carl Recchia which found the head of Esala Masi. Masi's effort came off the post, fortunately in the path of Cergovski who from close range slotted home the first goal of the evening.

Altona continued where they had just left off, doubling their lead two minutes later following another remarkable cross by Carl Recchia down the right hand flank. Rechhia's cross was met by Michael Curcija who put it away with a first time volley, leaving Oakleigh goalkeeper Adrian Cagalj completely helpless.

The Cannon's almost pulled one back in the 23rd minute following a wonderful passing sequence which saw Brandon Vassallo in space. From distance, Vassallo unleashed a powerful drive that dipped and swerved, forcing Altona goalkeeper Bojo Jevdjevic into readjusting his feet for the block.

The Magic went into the break 2-0 up, looking to have the game well under control in terms of the score line. Yet Oakleigh looked threatening throughout the first period, leaving the game all but over, for a greatly anticipated second half.

Within two minutes of the second period, Oakleigh could not have scripted it any better, pulling one back through Stelios Drakos. The goal came about from a corner, which once cleared fell to Oakleigh midfielder Rhodri Payne whose scoffed shot across the face of goal, found its way to Drakos who managed to force the ball over the line.

It was well and truly game on from this point with Oakleigh looking to have that slighter advantage in possession of the ball. End to end action, was cancelled out by solid defending by both teams in the second half, leaving the game with no real chances to alter the score line.

A blazing shot by Altona holding midfielder Todd McSorley was as close the game got to a fourth goal, with his powerful effort grazing just over the bar.

In a fantastic battle the game ended with the Altona Magic taking all three points. Post game, Oakleigh coach Stuart Munro concluded, "I'm obviously disappointed with the final result, but we definitely didn't play a bad game, especially in the opening 45 minutes were we found ourselves two goals down. It was really only two great crosses that put us behind and I think Altona will be thinking they got out of jail tonight."

Victorious Altona coach Vlado Tortevski was in full praise for his side. "I was extremely happy with the boys tonight producing a wonderful result, so I must congratulate them for their fine efforts. I still don't believe we are really playing at our optimum level in terms of performance, yet hopefully come finals time we will have really reached our peak."

With a few games remaining, and the pressure to maintain their finals spot Oakleigh will go up against Richmond at Jack Edwards Reserve, which looks to shape up as a big clash between the two sides.

Oakleigh's Juan Nilo is about to pull the trigger as Magic's Steve Laurie closes in

Altona will also have a great challenge on their hands as they make their way up to Canberra for a Round 28 clash against the Australian Institute of Sport, who also look to force their way into the top six of the table.

Altona Magic
B. Jevdjevic, C. Anthopoulos, S. Laurie, D. Mladenovic, C. Recchia, M. Curcija, P. Siveski, T. McSorley, P. Cergovski, P. Ricobenne (R. Baldachhino 57') , E. Masi

Scorers: P. Cergovski 13', M. Curcija 15'

Yellow Cards: P. Cergovski 80'
Red Cards:Nil

Oakleigh Cannons
A. Cagalj, F. Rosman, S. Drakos, T. Apostolikas (M. Foschini 73'), J. Nilo (F. Lagana 75'), T. Waterson, B. Vassallo, R. Payne, B. Damianos, A. Drakos, S. Webster

Scorers: S. Drakos 47'

Yellow Cards:F. Lagana 77'
Red Cards:Nil

Crowd; 600
Venue: Paisley Park

By George Lambadaridis

Photo by Daniel Flis

Altona Magic's Esala Masi (No 18) and Pece Cergovski (No 14) are delighted to open the scoring against the Cannons, as Michael Curcija (No 9) prepares to join the celebrations.

MELBOURNE KNIGHTS

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PRESTON LIONS

BARESIC DOES IT AGAIN

Knights Snatch Lions Share Of The Points

An Andrew Barisic inspired Melbourne Knights have overcome the in-form Preston Lions One-Nil at Knights Stadium on Sunday evening.

In wet and windy conditions the Preston Lions who had won four of their last five games, started favourites against the Knights who were without midfielders Watson, Pelikan and Franjic and had failed to win a game since late June.

The Knights had the first chance of the game within five minutes, Barisic found himself unmarked in the box, but could only lift his header over the bar from a Spiteri cross.

Blaze Georgioski saw his effort from distance fly over the bar, as the visitors began dictating the play of the game. Sterjovski and Dolevski combined well up front and Arsovski looked menacing on the wing. Sterjovski floated in a free-kick that was well met by Arsovski, however the winger could not hit the target.

Barisic was in the thick of it again not long after, a Piorkowski corner was flicked on by Grbesa and found the striker unmarked again, but from 6 yards out he still managed to put it wide.

The match picked up in pace a few notches as Dolevski had two chances in the space of five minutes, the first saw his run into the box blocked by a desperate Elvin, the second snuffed out by Iosifidis before he could latch onto a through ball.

Nearing the end of the first half both sides had chances to take the lead, a long ball from Loncaric caught the wind and floated over the Preston defence for Barisic to latch onto, but before the striker could pull the trigger Anastasiou cleared just in time. The Knights then on the counter found themselves with a four on two advantage that they could not capitalise on due to some poor decision making, and they were lucky not to be punished immediately for it as the Lions constructed a counter attack of their own, Sapazovski feed a magnificent through ball that put Arsovski clear on goal, but Knights keeper Loncaric pulled off an equally magnificent save to ensure the half would remain scoreless.

Seconds after the restart, Barisic wasted a golden opportunity to open the scoring from close range after being set up by Spiteri.

The Knights did open the scoring in the 53rd minute when some sloppy Preston defending, allowed 'you know who' to slot his shot past Acevski and into the back of the net.

The Lions stung into action could have replied almost immediately, Dolevski saw his effort from 18 yards deflect just wide of the upright. From that corner the danger was partially cleared by the Knights defence, Bosevski saw his effort from 30 yards acrobatically saved by Loncaric.

Preston threw players forward desperate for an equalizer, but it was the Knights who looked more dangerous on the break. Jamie Cumming's cross found Barisic yet again unmarked in the box, however Lupce Acevski was in perfect position to save his effort.

Anthony Loncaric saved the Knights again late in the game, Micovski beat his marker and unleashed his shot from just inside the box only to see Loncaric parry the effort and earn the important three points for the Knights.

With the win the Knights remain in 2nd spot and one point away from Green Gully with a game in hand. They face the Cavaliers this week in a blockbuster on Saturday night at Green Gully Reserve. Preston's stay in the top six was short lived, they have a chance to regain a finals position when they face Fawkner Blues at BT Connor Reserve on Sunday.

Melbourne Knights Line Up: Loncaric, Iosifidis, Cumming, Grbesa, Elvin, Kiratzoglou, Piorkowski (Kuna 90'), Timmons, Zahra, Spiteri (Matkovic 90'), Barisic.

Not Used: Ozdemir, Thompson, Muriqi.

Yellow Cards: Barisic 90'

Goals: Barisic 53'

Preston Lions Line Up: Acevski, Anastasiou, Bosevski, Miskas (Najdovski 85'), Arsovski (Kolevski 78'), Schwall, Sterjovski, Sapazovski, Dolevski, Tolevski (Micovski 61'), Georgioski.

Not Used: Stojanovski, Pittito.

Yellow Cards: None

Man Of Match: Anthony Loncaric (MK)

Crowd: Approx 1200 @ Knights Stadium.

By Andrew Fisher

Photos by Daniel Flis

Foxtel Cup supremacy was at stake at Somers Street as Melbourne Knights defeated Preston Lions 1-0

NORTH WEST 2

Seniors

Werribee City 2 (M Collins J Floros) Ballarat Red Devils 1 (J Romein), Altona East Phoenix 2 (N Ismail F Alghazaly) Cairnlea 1 (A Ikiz), Altona City 1 (J Little) Maribyrnong Greens 0, Moreland City 0 Pascoe Vale 1 (R Castro), Brunswick City 0 Thomastown Devils 0, North Geelong Warriors 2 (A Deak DS Morell) Williamstown 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Pascoe Vale	19	11	8	0	24	7	41
Werribee City	19	11	4	4	32	18	37
North Geelong Warriors	19	10	6	3	32	14	36
Altona East Phoenix	19	10	5	4	28	14	35
Brunswick City	19	8	5	6	22	17	29
Ballarat Red Devils	19	7	7	5	25	28	28
Thomastown Devils	19	8	3	8	34	30	27
Williamstown	19	7	2	10	25	27	23
Altona City	19	6	4	9	17	30	22
Moreland City	19	3	7	9	22	28	16
Cairnlea	19	3	4	12	19	36	13
Maribyrnong Greens	19	1	3	15	14	45	6

Reserves

Werribee City 1 Ballarat Red Devils 0, Altona East Phoenix 1 Cairnlea 3, Altona City 4 Maribyrnong Greens 0, Moreland City 0 Pascoe Vale 1, Brunswick City 1 Thomastown Devils 2, North Geelong Warriors 3 Williamstown 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Moreland City	19	16	1	2	62	24	49
Thomastown Devils	19	12	4	3	46	29	40
Cairnlea	19	12	1	6	48	36	37
Altona City	19	9	3	7	42	32	30
Brunswick City	19	9	2	8	39	36	29
North Geelong Warriors	19	8	1	10	38	35	25
Werribee City	19	7	3	9	39	39	24
Pascoe Vale	19	7	1	11	31	35	22
Ballarat Red Devils	19	7	1	11	35	40	22
Williamstown	19	5	7	7	29	35	22
Altona East Phoenix	19	5	3	11	25	37	18
Maribyrnong Greens	19	3	1	15	14	70	10

SOUTH EAST 2

Seniors

Port Melbourne 0 Northcote City 1 (J Triantopoulos), Stonnington City 1 (T Williams) Chelsea 3 (J Benli WM Gordon K Basic), Eastern Lions 1 (D Nash) Peninsula Strikers 2 (M Demirkol 2), South Springvale 0 Casey Comets 0, Waverley Wanderers 0 Diamond Valley Utd 3 (D Pistininzi 2 K Simsek), Knox City 1 (N Veljovic) Doncaster Rovers 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Northcote City	19	14	1	4	43	20	43
Knox City	19	12	2	5	38	19	38
Doncaster Rovers	19	10	6	3	37	19	36
Chelsea	19	10	2	7	30	27	32
Stonnington City	19	9	2	8	38	32	29
South Springvale	19	8	5	6	26	22	29
Diamond Valley Utd	19	8	4	7	30	35	28
Casey Comets	19	7	6	6	25	25	27
Eastern Lions	19	6	2	11	18	28	20
Port Melbourne	19	4	5	10	21	36	17
Peninsula Strikers	19	4	3	12	19	34	15
Waverley Wanderers	19	2	2	15	14	42	8

Reserves

Port Melbourne 0 Northcote City 0, Stonnington City 4 Chelsea 2, Eastern Lions 3 Peninsula Strikers 1, South Springvale 3 Casey Comets 1, Waverley Wanderers 2 Diamond Valley Utd 0, Knox City 2 Doncaster Rovers 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Knox City	19	11	6	2	35	18	39
Doncaster Rovers	19	11	3	5	38	22	36
Peninsula Strikers	19	10	3	6	34	21	33
Eastern Lions	18	10	1	7	37	29	31
Casey Comets	19	7	6	6	37	34	27
Waverley Wanderers	19	7	5	7	33	33	26
Northcote City	19	6	7	6	37	33	25
Chelsea	19	7	4	8	35	37	25
South Springvale	19	7	3	9	23	27	24
Stonnington City	19	5	4	10	28	44	19
Port Melbourne	19	4	6	9	25	41	18
Diamond Valley Utd	18	2	4	12	15	38	10

NORTH WEST 3

Seniors

Laverton Park 0 Sydenham Park 2 (D Spiteri P Dimovski), Banyule City 2 (WF Hastie N Papadopoulos) Westvale 1 (H Timotheou), Lalor Utd 4 (M Jurukovski 2 Z Tomovski G Stylianou) Yarraville Glory 3 (M Nastic A Vatzakis 2), Sunbury Utd 1 (S O'Callaghan) Geelong Rangers 3 (J Blackburn 3), Lalor 2 (D Christou P Romano) North Sunshine Eagles 3 (A Bibaj D Ajro R Isac), Geelong 1 (J Ikanovic) La Trobe University 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Sydenham Park	19	9	7	3	35	19	34
Geelong Rangers	19	9	7	3	44	29	34
Geelong	19	8	6	5	38	23	30
Westvale	18	8	4	6	30	27	28
Banyule City	19	8	4	7	18	23	28
Lalor	19	7	9	3	27	20	27
Lalor Utd	19	7	6	6	27	29	27
North Sunshine Eagles	19	7	5	7	30	31	26
Yarraville Glory	19	5	7	7	22	28	22
La Trobe University	19	4	7	8	20	27	19
Sunbury Utd	19	4	5	10	22	35	17
Laverton Park	18	2	3	13	16	38	9

Reserves

Laverton Park 3 Sydenham Park 0, Banyule City 0 Westvale 1, Lalor Utd 4 Yarraville Glory 0, Sunbury Utd 4 Geelong Rangers 0, Lalor 1 North Sunshine Eagles 2, Geelong 2 La Trobe University 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Geelong	19	15	2	2	55	17	47
La Trobe University	19	13	3	3	44	15	42
Sunbury Utd	19	10	5	4	39	15	35
Sydenham Park	19	10	5	4	42	30	35
Westvale	18	10	2	6	35	33	32
North Sunshine Eagles	19	6	4	9	37	41	22
Banyule City	19	7	1	11	30	41	22
Lalor	18	7	3	8	42	28	21
Yarraville Glory	18	5	2	11	21	67	17
Lalor Utd	19	5	1	13	24	39	16
Laverton Park	18	4	2	12	21	45	14
Geelong Rangers	19	3	4	12	28	47	13

SOUTH EAST 3

Seniors

Brandon Park 3 (A Mashoian 2 G Mousaco) Springvale City 1 (D Rizvic), Endeavour Utd 0 Berwick City 2 (OA Mejias 2), Sandringham City 2 (O Harel 2) Southern Suburbs 0, Croydon City Arrows 2 (J Videkanic S Jennens) Doveton 0, Boroondara Eagles 1 (A Santone) Morwell Pegasus 2 (D Cassar D Cairns)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Morwell Pegasus	19	13	3	3	45	21	42
Heatherton Utd	18	10	3	5	34	27	33
Springvale City	19	9	3	7	23	26	30
Berwick City	19	8	5	6	32	27	29
Southern Suburbs	19	8	2	9	27	31	26
Croydon City Arrows	19	7	4	8	25	20	25
Brandon Park	19	6	6	7	26	26	24
Boroondara Eagles	19	7	2	10	27	29	23
Doveton	19	6	5	8	31	42	23
Sandringham City	19	6	4	9	31	32	22
North Caulfield	18	4	9	5	21	25	21
Endeavour Utd	19	3	6	10	20	36	15

Reserves

Brandon Park 3 Springvale City 0, Endeavour Utd 1 Berwick City 6, Sandringham City 5 Southern Suburbs 0, Croydon City Arrows 3 Doveton 1, Boroondara Eagles 2 Morwell Pegasus 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Sandringham City	19	16	1	2	50	14	49
Boroondara Eagles	19	12	4	3	32	15	40
Croydon City Arrows	19	11	3	5	39	16	36
Berwick City	19	9	5	5	48	31	32
Endeavour Utd	18	10	0	8	34	32	30
Brandon Park	18	8	3	7	37	29	27
North Caulfield	17	8	2	7	36	23	26
Southern Suburbs	19	7	2	10	28	36	23
Morwell Pegasus	18	6	3	9	32	29	21
Doveton	19	5	6	8	22	27	21
Heatherton Utd	18	3	1	14	12	53	10
Springvale City	19	1	0	18	12	77	3

PROVI 1 NORTH WEST

Seniors

Melbourne University Rangers 2 (DJ Greenwood 2) Glenroy 2 (T Grgic I Dragicevic), South Yarra 3 (M O'Connell S Christov S Crossan) Hume Utd 2 (N Radecki WJ Sismanis), Elwood City 3 (T Francis B Harmer S Hehir) Plenty Valley Lions 2 (D Stojanovski C Kirkopoulos), Avondale Heights 1 (G Di Marco) Whittlesea Utd 2 (T Altanham A Uyanik), Melbourne City 4 (M Galvan ML Calomino 3) Melbourne Tornado 0, Western Eagles 0 Corio 2 (B Leban 2)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Hume Utd	19	12	5	2	46	18	41
Glenroy	19	11	4	4	40	24	34
Whittlesea Utd	19	9	5	5	30	21	32
Melbourne Uni Rangers	19	10	2	7	28	26	32
Corio	19	9	3	7	21	27	30
South Yarra	19	8	4	7	29	20	28
Western Eagles	19	7	5	7	36	29	26
Elwood City	19	7	4	8	32	36	25
Melbourne City	19	6	5	8	28	30	23
Plenty Valley Lions	18	6	2	10	30	35	20
Avondale Heights	18	3	5	10	20	30	14
Melbourne Tornado	19	2	2	15	19	63	8

Reserves

Melbourne University Rangers 2 Glenroy 0, South Yarra 4 Hume Utd 1, Elwood City 2 Plenty Valley Lions 2, Avondale Heights 0 Whittlesea Utd 0, Melbourne City 2 Melbourne Tornado 0, Western Eagles 1 Corio 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Melbourne Uni Rangers	19	16	2	1	51	8	50
South Yarra	19	15	2	2	47	18	47
Plenty Valley Lions	18	10	2	6	29	23	32
Avondale Heights	18	8	4	6	34	27	28
Hume Utd	19	6	6	7	35	34	24
Western Eagles	19	7	2	10	21	28	23
Corio	19	6	4	9	27	43	22
Elwood City	19	6	3	10	29	37	21
Whittlesea Utd	19	6	3	10	21	31	21
Glenroy	19	7	2	10	27	35	20
Melbourne City	19	5	4	10	20	27	19
Melbourne Tornado	19	4	0	15	20	50	12

PROVI 1 SOUTH EAST

Seniors

Warragul Utd 0 Scotch Old Boys 0, Old Melburnians 8 (M Pember 2 A Carmody 3 J Pearce 2 E Espinoza) Rowville Eagles 0, Nunawading City 6 (M Marnell J Ivanov SC Bye AM Adem CK Stemn Jnr 2) Mooroolbark 3 (K Coe M Cauteruccio J Abrahams), Monash University 7 (N Mallios A Salmon N Burris T Masinde 2 R Nation 2) White Star Dandenong 0, Monbulk 1 (S Carr) Ashburton 0, Noble Park Utd 1 (B Mijatovic) Fitzroy City 2 (D Mahom J Corbett)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Noble Park Utd	19	14	2	3	73	27	44
Nunawading City	19	13	4	2	54	17	43
Monbulk	19	12	4	3	54	17	40
Fitzroy City	19	12	3	4	60	27	39
Old Melburnians	19	9	5	5	47	27	32
Scotch Old Boys	19	8	3	8	25	27	27
Monash University	18	7	3	8	34	34	24
Mooroolbark	19	6	4	9	38	51	22
Ashburton	19	6	1	12	31	46	19
Warragul Utd	19	4	6	9	20	33	18
Rowville Eagles	18	3	1	14	19	64	10
White Star Dandenong	19	0	2	17	13	98	2

Reserves

Warragul Utd 2 Scotch Old Boys 2, Old Melburnians 4 Rowville Eagles 1, Nunawading City 0 Mooroolbark 1, Monash University 1 White Star Dandenong 0, Monbulk 0 Ashburton 1, Noble Park Utd 7 Fitzroy City 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Monash University	18	13	2	3	50	18	41
Old Melburnians	19	11	3	5	37	26	36
Nunawading City	19	10	4	5	44	25	34
Fitzroy City	19	9	6	4	56	37	33
Ashburton	19	10	3	6	32	27	33
Monbulk	19	9	4	6	34	21	31
Scotch Old Boys	19	7	7	5	34	27	28
Warragul Utd	19	6	6	7	33	38	24
Noble Park Utd	19	5	4	10	44	44	19
Mooroolbark	19	5	4	10	25	39	19
Rowville Eagles	18	3	3	12	23	61	12
White Star Dandenong	19	1	2	16	11	60	5

PROVI 2 NORTH WEST

Seniors

West Preston 3 (T Emtsis A Franze PP Haloulos) North City Lions 2 (R Nedelkov 2), Darebin Utd 3 (S Vlachokyriakos N Assaad J Nikolarakos) Hoppers Crossing 1 (K Sherzai), Keon Park 0 Essendon Utd 4 (P Koukoulis 3 C Hatzikonstantinos), Collingwood City 2 (M Serapiglia R Martin) Bell Park 0, Brimbank City 2 (J Avdic M Salkic) Moreland Utd 3 (E Inglesi L Felicissimo D Tiamiyu)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Utd	18	12	5	1	37	9	41
North City Lions	19	11	5	3	47	26	38
Collingwood City	19	10	5	4	27	19	35
West Preston	19	10	2	7	38	33	32
Moreland Utd	18	9	4	5	40	27	31
Northern Falcons	17	8	5	4	37	14	29
Hoppers Crossing	18	7	4	7	22	27	25
Bell Park	19	6	3	10	27	33	21
Darebin Utd	19	6	2	11	24	37	20
Keon Park	19	4	6	9	23	32	18
Melton	18	5	1	12	26	38	16
Brimbank City	17	0	2	15	15	68	2

Reserves

West Preston 0 North City Lions 4, Darebin Utd 2 Hoppers Crossing 2, Keon Park 1 Essendon Utd 2, Collingwood City 3 Bell Park 2, Brimbank City 1 Moreland Utd 5

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
North City Lions	19	15	2	2	47	13	47
Essendon Utd	18	11	4	3	44	20	37
Collingwood City	19	10	5	4	36	24	35
Moreland Utd	19	8	4	7	39	46	28
Northern Falcons	17	8	3	6	42	31	27
Melton	18	7	4	7	27	31	25
Keon Park	19	6	6	7	33	29	24
Hoppers Crossing	19	6	4	9	25	31	22
West Preston	19	5	5	9	32	41	20
Bell Park	19	6	1	12	34	39	19
Brimbank City	17	4	3	10	24	49	15
Darebin Utd	19	3	3	13	28	57	12

PROVI 2 SOUTH EAST

Seniors

Lyndale Utd 0 Riversdale 3 (S Oliver A Christakakis D Begg), Mornington 0 Whitehorse Utd 0, Caulfield Utd 4 (O Tufan 3 A Maabreh) Old Trinity Grammarians 0, Keysborough 0 Berwick Kings 0, Old Brighton Grammarians 0 Old Camberwell Grammar 4 (P Margin 2 GG Efe E Kyriakou), Dandenong Sparrows 4 (A Jennings T Ithier DE Schulberg 2) Carrum Utd 2 (M Cordoma D Cori)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Old Camberwell Grammar	19	11	5	3	40	23	38
Mornington	19	10	5	4	41	26	35
Lyndale Utd	19	10	1	8	36	35	31
Riversdale	18	9	3	6	50	32	30
Whitehorse Utd	19	8	5	6	29	17	29
Old Brighton Grammarians	19	8	4	7	36	42	28
Dandenong Sparrows	19	8	3	8	34	36	27
Caulfield Utd	19	8	2	9	34	37	26
Berwick Kings	19	6	3	10	18	35	21
Keysborough	19	4	6	9	27	33	18
Old Trinity Grammarians	19	5	3	11	24	43	18
Carrum Utd	18	4	4	10	24	34	16

Reserves

Lyndale Utd 1 Riversdale 1, Mornington 2 Whitehorse Utd 0, Caulfield Utd 1 Old Trinity Grammarians 0, Keysborough 11 Berwick Kings 0, Old Brighton Grammarians 1 Old Camberwell Grammar 2, Dandenong Sparrows 0 Carrum Utd 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Riversdale	19	16	2	1	56	19	50
Caulfield Utd	19	13	0	6	46	27	39
Old Camberwell Grammar	19	11	3	5	42	20	36
Old Brighton Grammarians	19	10	0	9	44	39	30
Mornington	19	9	3	7	41	37	30
Whitehorse Utd	19	8	2	9	26	24	26
Lyndale Utd	19	7	4	8	34	36	25
Keysborough	19	7	3	9	41	33	24
Old Trinity Grammarians	19	6	4	9	31	41	22
Dandenong Sparrows	19	7	0	12	38	47	21
Carrum Utd	19	6	3	10	33	49	21
Berwick Kings	19	2	0	17	29	89	6

PROVI 3 NORTH WEST

Seniors

Mill Park 2 (P Mina P Lazari) Brimbank 2 (PJ Mangion 2), Brunswick Zebras 0 Epping City 1 (M Nerone), Northern Utd 2 (M Maric C Dickson) Moreland Wolves 1 (D Colella), Watsonia Heights 4 (M Tavolaro 2 OM Ali 2) Surf Coast 0, Youth Utd 3 (Y Battal 2 SA Cicek) Bundoora Utd 3 (D Guadagno 2 Own Goal), Dallas Eagles 1 (C Kalinkara) Ascot Vale 1 (AA Samayoa)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Epping City	19	13	3	3	43	15	42
Watsonia Heights	18	13	2	3	52	20	41
Brimbank	19	9	5	5	49	31	32
Bundoora Utd	18	9	5	4	32	22	32
Youth Utd	18	9	3	6	37	34	30
Surf Coast	19	7	5	7	26	32	26
Brunswick Zebras	18	6	5	7	33	32	23
Ascot Vale	19	5	7	7	23	26	22
Mill Park	19	5	5	9	20	38	20
Northern Utd	19	4	4	11	19	42	16
Moreland Wolves	19	3	5	11	29	49	14
Dallas Eagles	19	2	5	12	14	36	8

Reserves

Mill Park 1 Brimbank 2, Brunswick Zebras 0 Epping City 3, Northern Utd 1 Moreland Wolves 1, Watsonia Heights 2 Surf Coast 1, Youth Utd 3 Bundoora Utd 2, Dallas Eagles 0 Ascot Vale 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Epping City	19	18	1	0	78	7	55
Brimbank	19	14	1	4	50	24	43
Watsonia Heights	18	13	3	2	52	20	42
Brunswick Zebras	19	9	4	6	42	32	31
Youth Utd	18	9	1	8	52	39	28
Ascot Vale	19	7	3	9	33	36	24
Surf Coast	19	7	2	10	46	52	23
Bundoora Utd	19	6	3	10	37	44	21
Moreland Wolves	19	6	2	11	32	53	20
Northern Utd	19	4	4	11	27	58	16
Dallas Eagles	19	4	3	12	27	59	12
Mill Park	19	1	3	15	10	62	6

PROVI 3 SOUTH EAST

Seniors

Seaford Utd 0 Dandenong City 0, Keilor Wolves 3 (D Panev 3) Brighton 4 (P McCaig 3 G Lark), Beaumaris 3 (T Hogan 2 DM Cappellari) Uni. of Melbourne 0, Noble Park 1 (A Buhac) Dandenong Warriors 0, Bayside Argonauts 5 (G Triantafillidis E Cid C Papageorgiou 3) Eltham North 0, Old Carey 1 (PJ Henson) Endeavour Hills 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Old Carey	19	13	3	3	39	22	42
Beaumaris	19	12	3	4	41	23	39
Bayside Argonauts	19	11	3	5	41	25	36
Dandenong City	19	9	5	5	41	31	32
Keilor Wolves	19	9	4	6	45	39	31
Endeavour Hills	19	10	1	8	45	42	31
Seaford Utd	19	9	2	8	31	27	29
Noble Park	19	7	4	8	35	39	22
Brighton	19	6	0	13	40	56	18
Dandenong Warriors	19	5	2	12	39	48	17
Uni. of Melbourne	19	5	1	13	21	34	16
Eltham North	19	2	4	13	28	60	10

Reserves

Seaford Utd 1 Dandenong City 1, Keilor Wolves 3 Brighton 4, Beaumaris 6 Uni. of Melbourne 1, Noble Park 1 Dandenong Warriors 6, Bayside Argonauts 6 Eltham North 2, Old Carey 4 Endeavour Hills 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Old Carey	19	17	0	2	64	20	51
Bayside Argonauts	17	14	1	2	57	24	43
Beaumaris	18	13	2	3	65	29	41
Dandenong Warriors	18	11	1	6	56	31	34
Seaford Utd	19	7	7	5	55	39	28
Brighton	19	8	1	10	37	35	25
Uni. of Melbourne	19	7	2	10	37	45	23
Dandenong City	19	7	1	11	38	53	22
Endeavour Hills	19	6	1	12	33	61	19
Keilor Wolves	19	4	3	12	32	48	15
Eltham North	19	4	0	15	24	69	12
Noble Park	19	3	3	13	36	80	9

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All matches to be played on Saturday 23rd August with 3pm KO unless otherwise stated.

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Thomastown Devils v Moreland City
Epping Soccer Stadium Fri 22 Aug 08 8:15PM
Altona East Phoenix v North Geelong Warriors
Paisley Park Soccer Complex
Williamstown v Brunswick City
JT Gray Reserve
Pascoe Vale v Altona City
Hosken Reserve
Maribyrnong Greens v Werribee City
Skinner Reserve
Cairnlea v Ballarat Red Devils
Cairnlea Park

STATE SE 2

Doncaster Rovers v Waverley Wanderers
Anderson Park Fri 22 Aug 08 8:30PM
Eastern Lions v Knox City
Gardiners Creek Reserve
Diamond Valley Utd v Port Melbourne
Partington Flats
Northcote City v South Springvale
John Cain Memorial Park
Casey Comets v Stonnington City
Comets Stadium
Peninsula Strikers v Chelsea
Centenary Park

STATE NW 3

Banyule City v Geelong
Yallambie Park Reserve
La Trobe University v Lalor
Latrobe Uni Lower Playing Fld
North Sunshine Eagles v Sunbury Utd
Larissa Reserve
Geelong Rangers v Lalor Utd
Myers Reserve
Yarraville Glory v Laverton Park
McIvor Reserve
Westvale v Sydenham Park
McKechnie Reserve

STATE SE 3

Brandon Park v Boroondara Eagles
Freeway Reserve
Morwell Pegasus v Croydon City Arrows
Ronald Reserve
Doveton v Sandringham City
Waratah Reserve
Southern Suburbs v Endeavour Utd
Keeley Park
Springvale City v Heatherton Utd
Ross Reserve
Berwick City v North Caulfield
Jack Thomas Reserve Sun 24 Aug 08 3:00PM

PROVI NW 1

South Yarra v Western Eagles
Fawkner Park
Corio v Melbourne City
Hume Reserve
Melbourne Tornado v Avondale Heights
Newmarket Reserve
Whittlesea Utd v Elwood City
Thomas Street Recreation Res.
Plenty Valley Lions v Melbourne Uni Rangers
Bundoora Park Pavilion
Hume Utd v Glenroy
Laura Douglas Reserve

PROVI SE 1

Old Melburnians v Noble Park Utd
Robert Menzies Reserve
Fitzroy City v Monbulk
Fairfield Park
Ashburton v Monash University
Ashburton Park
White Star Dandenong v Nunawading City
Greaves Reserve
Mooroolbark v Warragul Utd
Esther Park Reserve
Rowville Eagles v Scotch Old Boys
Park Ridge Reserve

PROVI NW 2

Darebin Utd v Brimbank City
Mayer Park
Moreland Utd v Melton
Moomba Park Reserve
Northern Falcons v Collingwood City
Hayes Park
Bell Park v Keon Park
Bell Park Sports Club
Essendon Utd v West Preston
Aberfeldie Park
Hoppers Crossing v North City Lions
Grange Reserve

PROVI SE 2

Mornington v Dandenong Sparrows
Dallas Brooks Park
Carrum Utd v Old Brighton Grammarians
Italo-Australian Club
Old Camberwell Grammar v Keysborough
Deepdene Park
Berwick Kings v Caulfield Utd
Betula Park
Old Trinity Grammarians v Lyndale Utd
Trinity Sports Ground
Whitehorse Utd v Riversdale
Terrara Park

PROVI NW 3

Brunswick Zebras v Dallas Eagles
Balfe Park
Youth Utd v Ascot Vale Seth
Raistrick Reserve
Bundoora Utd v Watsonia Heights Hills
Recreation Reserve
Surf Coast v Northern Utd
Quay Reserve
Moreland Wolves v Mill Park
Rayner Reserve
Epping City v Brimbank
Casa D'Abruzzo Club

PROVI SE 3

Keilor Wolves v Old Carey
Green Gully Reserve No.4
Endeavour Hills v Bayside Argonauts
Power Reserve
Eltham North v Noble Park
Eltham North Reserve
Dandenong Warriors v Beaumaris
Lois Twohig Reserve
Uni. of Melbourne v Seaford Utd
Princes Park Oval #2
Brighton v Dandenong City
Dendy Park

SERCAN'S CLINICAL STRIKE KEEPS DREAM ALIVE.

Southern Stars 1
FC Clifton Hill 0

Southern Stars' dreams of reaching the Premier League remain alive after their seventh win in a row, a 1-0 home victory over seventh placed FC Clifton Hill in the Round 19 match on Saturday.

As in the earlier meeting of the two clubs this season, it was the boot of young Stars striker Sercan Doganay which delivered the vital three points. Doganay's injury time penalty conversion broke the visitors' stubborn resistance.

The Hillmen who had managed to take points away from several of the top four teams this season, set out to frustrate the Stars, playing with lone striker, Zoran Romanovski, supported by midfielders Fidell Richards and George Kotsiris.

The home team missed a couple of the better chances of the opening half when they penetrated the Hillmens' back four, but couldn't beat keeper Andrew Watkins. By the end of the half, the home team had gained the upper hand in midfield, but the visitors' defence led by Rob Enes, held tight. A professional foul by Enes mid-way through the first half snuffed out a threatening run by Stars' midfielder Tierry Boi, but the Stars were unable to capitalise immediately from the resulting free kick.

They did however receive an unexpected fillip from the foul, early in the second half, when Enes received a second yellow for a late challenge on Berkan Sakaci, reducing the visitors to 10 men for the last forty minutes.

Sakaci went close to a breakthrough when his header struck the upright as the Stars increased the pressure, peppering the visitor's box with crosses. The Hillmen defended deeper and deeper, and with the final whistle looming, the Stars desperately played another ball into the box. The visitors' player-coach, George Karkaletsis met the ball with his chest, but unfortunately for him and his team, the ball bobbled up off his chest onto his arm, in direct view of the referee who pointed immediately to the spot. Doganay emerged from the huddle of Stars to take the crucial kick showing an ice cool nerve to plant the ball past Watkins in the Clifton Hill goal.

Stars' coach Dean Hennessy commented afterwards, " We'll take any win at this stage, no matter how you get there. I thought we played quite well today. Clifton Hill don't make it easy. They've got some great results away from home. . We've just got to win our next three. We're in a great vein of form. We're not conceding goals and even though we're not scoring as many, we're creating the chances. Are we good enough to go and do another three weeks? Time will tell. Our next game, against Dandenong Thunder, is going to be a massive game. I think the way their structure is, they will have a go at us. That's fine, we'll accept that and have a go back."

FC Clifton Hill coach Karkaletsis commented after the match, " I thought we worked extremely hard. We came here to get a result-to get one point. I was quite happy to get one point. In the end, I think it was an unintentional handball in the box and he (the referee) has given them a penalty. But credit to them, they actually pressed in the second half and put us under a lot of pressure. It's difficult to play 10 versus 11 and we didn't do too badly on the break ourselves. It was quite an even match. One decision swayed it to them."

State League Div 1
By George Stogiannou

Stars' Defender Aron Wilford (Centre) and striker Rasim Sezgi (left), embrace goalscorer Sercan Doganay (right). Photo: George Stogiannou

BRUNSWICK PAY THE PENALTY FOR MISSED CHANCES

Brunswick City 0
Ballarat Red Devils 0

Brunswick City in a day they would prefer to forget could only manage a scoreless draw in a game that they clearly dominated and deserved to win.

Such was the dominance of the home team that Dimitropoulos, Brunswick's custodian, only touched the ball on one occasion throughout the game. A rare error Brunswick's stalwart, Jackson allowed his immediate opponent to cross the ball to the advancing Ciccivelli in the 2nd minute only to see the "Devils" striker sail what should have been a tap in, over the bar. This sparked the home team into action as they started to gain the ascendancy. In the 10' a characteristic left sided cross from Gonullu found Stafrace unmarked in the six yard box who also needed a simple tap in to give Brunswick the lead. The experienced Brunswick striker made sure he hit the target but the Thomastown custodian was equal to the challenge and blocked what appeared to be the opening goal. The tempo again lifted another notch as Brunswick seemed determined to put their stamp on the game and when Stafrace was first to pounce on to a long clearance that had beaten all the Thomastown defenders the opener seemed certain. But it was not to be Stafrace shot was just wide of the target allowing the visitors of the hook. The half continued with Brunswick creating numerous half chances but the forwards inaccuracy in front of goal coupled with some determined defending by the visitors ensures a 0-0 score line at the major break.

Four minutes after the break Athanasopoulos had worked his way into the penalty box only to be retarded by a Thomastown defender. The referee had no hesitation in pointing to the spot. Such was Brunswick's fate today that not even a well struck penalty by Jim Vouloumanos could open the score. Di Napoli , who appears to save his best against Brunswick, acrobatically flung himself to his right to pull off a magnificent save. In the 65' a Gonullu header from inside the six yard box was also put over the bar after Vouloumanos flicked on cleverly. Again Brunswick continued to create chances but 'fate would not smile for the home team' as any half chance was missed or thwarted by the defence. The scoreless draw has prevented Brunswick from aspiring to anything better than fifth spot for the season which probably is a fitting spot given their inconsistent performances this year.

The reserve team lost 1-2 with C. Jones scoring the only goal for Brunswick.

Best:Jackson, Danos, Dokolas, J.Vouloumanos, Karas

Line up: Dimitropoulos, Danos, Jackson, Dokolas, J.Vouloumanos, Gorcevski Karas, Gonullu, C.Vouloumanos Stafrace (Canizzaro 74') Athanasopoulos

State League Div 1
By Loui Simopoulos

KNOX EYES PROMOTION

Knox City 1
Doncaster Rovers 0
(Half-time 0-0)

Knox City edged past Doncaster Rovers into second place on the State League Division Two table with the only goal of a tough and physical match.

The real winner though was Northcote City, whose victory at Port Melbourne by a similar score increased their lead at the top to five points.

A fairly pedestrian first half turned into a fiery second period as both sides strove for victory knowing that a draw would be no good to either side. The winning goal came just before the hour mark from a 25 metre free kick from Nick Veljovic.

Doncaster was subsequently reduced to ten men when Murat was given his second yellow card after lashing out at Edgar. Knox should probably have increased its lead after this incident with a bit more composure. At the other end, Jorgensen's only decent save of the game came when he had to tip the ball over the bar following a deflected shot.

Knox suffered a blow when Suat had to leave the field after only16 minutes with a torn hamstring. However they should have taken the lead a few minutes later when Siric made a hash of a clearance and Daniel Veljovic headed the ball into the path of Nedza, Suat's replacement. With only the keeper to beat, he dwelled on the ball too long and a despairing tackle forced the ball away for a corner.

Doncaster had plenty of the ball but their shots on goal were limited to long range efforts and these were generally well off target.

Hoogendyk forced Siric to save at full length at the foot of the post, while a quick rebound from a Knox free kick saw the visitors menacing the Knox goal until the ball was smothered at close range.

The second half was a much better spectacle as the tempo increased. The vital moment came in the 59th minute. Nick Veljovic had got himself into an advanced position when Murat clumsily brought him down 25 metres out from goal for which he received a yellow card. Picking himself up, Veljovic saw that Siric had left a big gap at the near post and his free kick unerringly found the net with the keeper well beaten.

Murat then fired a 20 metre shot just wide as Doncaster looked to get back on level terms, but he undid all of his work by picking up his second card and was ejected from the game in the 78th minute.

Knox had a couple of great opportunities to increase the lead but the final ball lacked a bit of finesse each time but they still held on for all three points.

The Reserves game was just as crucial. Doncaster had gone above Knox City on goal difference at the top of the table after last week. Knox showed much improved form after a number of indifferent displays to come from behind to win 2-1 and put themselves in the box seat for back to back titles. They are now three points clear with three games to go.

Knox City: M. Jorgensen, A. Edgar, N. Veljovic, Z. Martinez, C. Kerr, K. Suat (P. Nedza – 16th), M. Hoogendyk, J. Hingert, C. Jones , A. Saunders (A. Hughes – 69th), D. Veljovic. Subs not used – P. Veljovic, L. Grubic, K. McEvoy.

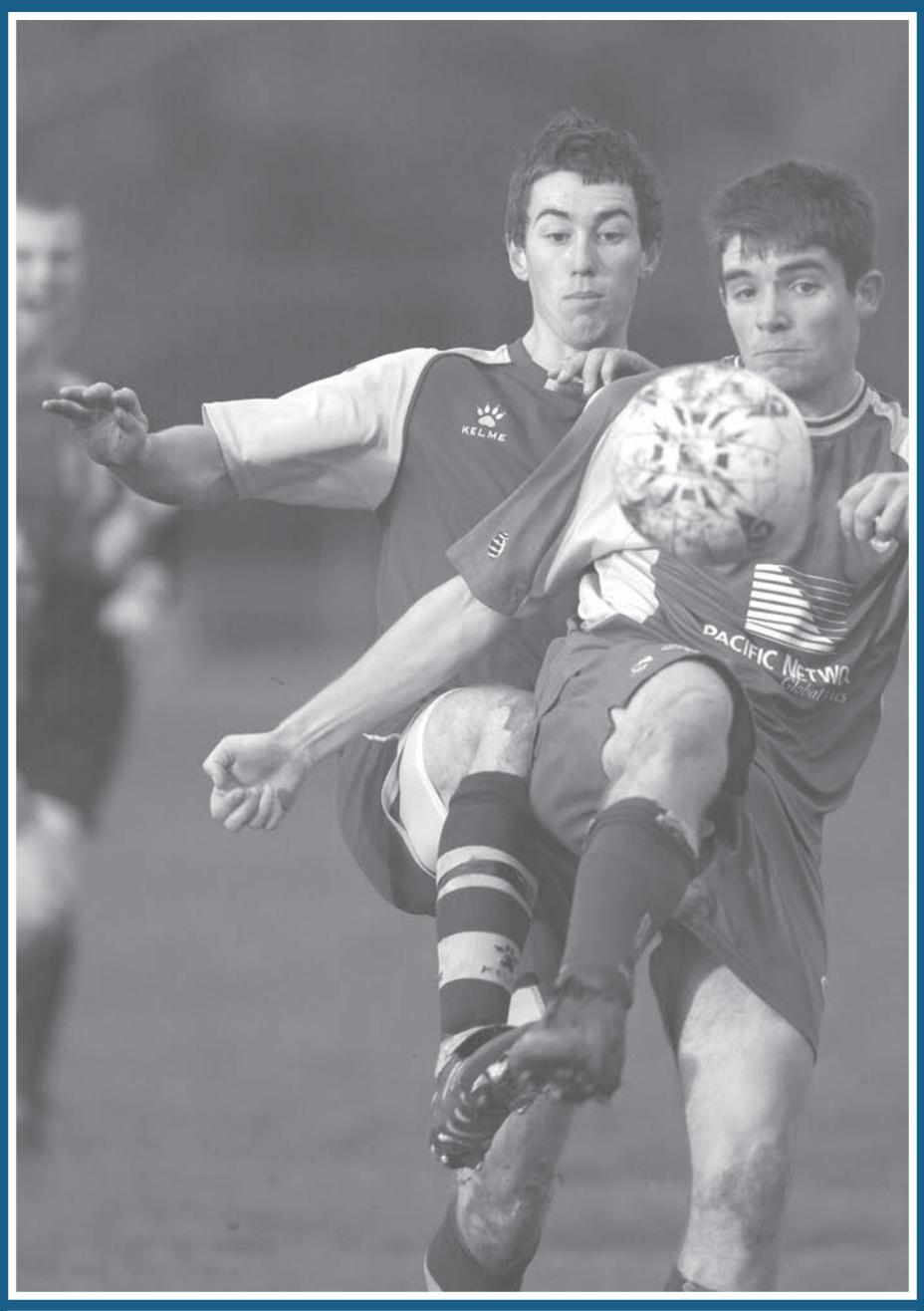
Doncaster Rovers: D. Siric, J. Petridis, M. Kustura, D. Jugovic, S. Pibrujello (J. Strateas -90th), M. Dalben (D. Sahinidis -45th), M. Santoro, J. Barrero, S. Murat, R. Dias, Z. Stefanidis (F. Korkaric – 71st). Sub not used – M. Torcaso.

State League SE 2
By Bruce Darnell

GRASS ROOTS FOOTBALL RULES!

Stars striker Sercan Doganay raises his arms to celebrate after scoring from the spot to put a smile on Defender Aron Wilford's face. PHOTO: George Stogiannou

It's a dirty job but someone has to do it: Monbulk's goalkeeper earns his keep in the 1-0 win against Ashburton on the weekend. PHOTO: Joseph Sirucka



Anything you can do, I can do better: More weekend warrior action from the Monbulk versus Ashburton game in Provisional SE 1 PHOTO: Joseph Sirucka

WPL action from the clash between title chasing Box Hill Inter and Preston Lions at BT Connor Reserve yesterday. PHOTO: Brett Robson

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Gas bagging, News & Views

Once again this column will be firmly focussed on the farce that is the FFV. It can no longer take the piss anymore, it seems that is now the FFV's role. How so? Well on Tuesday night at Kevin Bartlett Reserve a fellow came in to put up some VicHealth Official Supporter campaign promotional material. VicHealth have long been an FFV partner, and the new posters promote fair play and goodwill. So in the same dressing room in which Semir Sivic lay shivering with a double break to his leg two weeks earlier, there is now a sign reading "RESPECT Play the ball and not the man". To add further insult to very serious injury, the following day the FFV Tribunal found the person who had been sent-off for the late tackle which broke the leg not guilty of misconduct and that the automatic match suspension would be sufficient.

It is lucky that the Tribunal is conducted at the Psychologists Registration Board in Collins Street, because these idiots shouldn't have to go too far to get their head's read. The incident concerned can be viewed on the FFV's own website, by clicking on the Victorian Football Show link and selecting 30th July 2008 from the list of previous episodes and is 19 minutes and 12 seconds into the show.

Very few players are capable of injuring another on purpose. So when looking at a case like this, intent should not be what the Tribunal is seeking to determine. It can be said the incident was an accident, but if a tackle is late, dangerous or reckless how accidental can the injury be, whether it was intended or not? Similar tackles have earned players an automatic suspension plus an additional two weeks, all over the leagues. Yet because no serious injuries were sustained, these guys don't get to say "I didn't mean to break his leg" to the tribunal and be declared not guilty as a result.

The whole system is clearly a joke. Instead of being awarded a fixed penalty, the matter was sent straight to the Tribunal "due to the seriousness of the allegation". Which it seems, in the end, was not viewed that seriously at all. Sivic is still in hospital, having made five visits to surgery, whilst the player who broke is leg is already back playing. That's hardly going to deter anyone from committing reckless, dangerous tackles, is it?

Following on from last week's column about the abandoned Coburg v Richmond Under 21's game, it emerged that the next days Under 21's game between Melbourne Knights and the V.I.S. at the same venue was also abandoned when it rained. From the loosely adhered to Rules and Regulations:

2.4 The match will be abandoned if:

(c) the Match Referee determines that playing conditions have become unsafe or untenable for any reason

Now abandoning a game because it may affect a subsequent game going ahead probably falls under "untenable for any reason" but it was clear on both occassions that the abandonments were a premature and needless over-reaction to a bit of rain.

We return to the rules:

2.7 When a match is abandoned, all Referees are entitled to receive 100% of their normal match fee.

No suprise there. I would have no problem with this, as long as the matches abandoned were done so for the right reasons (i.e. ground unsafe), not interference from powers that be trying to protect a pitch to get through games that should never have been scheduled in successive days in the middle of winter. If a game could be completed, but the referee didn't want it to, they have a cheek expecting full payment. This is also probably why the FFV didn't postpone the game midweek and save the teams involved the time and effort of attennding. Shame that parents of Under 21's who had to pay admittance to watch games that were to be abandoned at the first drop of rain were unable to seek a refund if they did not wish to wait around for the senior game, but FFV policies don't cater for the punters, just their own officials.

The rules and regulations are often good for a laugh, so here's some more:

8.1 Change of venues will only be considered in exceptional circumstances. Any application for a change of venue must be submitted to FFV, on Club letterhead and signed by a Club official, no less than 5 working days prior to the match. FFV will then consider the application and notify both.

No, I can't see this having taken place when the A.I.S. v Green Gully clash was moved from Bendigo to Green Gully without any notice whatsoever. Whilst I agree that the course of action that day was a logical one, the disregard of the rules is a concern, especially in light of what occurs in pre-season. In pre-season, when the grounds are scarce and teams pull out of friendlies at the drop of a hat, arranging practise games is a nightmare. Mainly because the FFV want seven days notice of such games or else they will not supply match officials. So this summer, when Chris Bambridge gets out his red tape to convolute the process, clubs can now point to the FFV not following it's own regulations and tell him to stick his rules where the sun doesn't shine, and I don't mean Knights Stadium or George Cross.

At what price? Semir Sivic writhers in pain after breaking his leg recently

KATSA'S KORNER 7-24

GIVING THE LARGE ONE

Club Powerbrokers usually spend the half time breaks to either fill up cordial cups for the players, down a quick souvlaki or scotch sausage depending on which ground they are at, or visit the house of Dalton with a J Walker in one hand, and a W N Filed hanging from their mouths.

What is in their other hand I will leave to your imagination.

Not so for one South East Division 2 President whose Club is situated in Melbourne's South East, very close to a Greyhound track, who has heeded the call of another South East Division 2 Club President and decided to do a ring around of other clubs in his Leagues at Half time to…..

Attend a very special, invite only meeting to be held to discuss the conduct of certain "ethnic" clubs.

"Ethnic" is a very interesting term in Victorian Soccer, as it refers to those Clubs whose Members are made up of non Anglo Saxon's.

It appears that the agenda of certain clubs, and the House of Darebin who require large doses of Nasal Spray Technology in order to cope with the excitement of the success of the A-League, which they hope to carry thru to the new proposed V-League, Summer League, is to do away with these ethnic clubs in Victoria, as there is a belief that these "Ethnic" Clubs, do not play within the rules.

I was taught from a young age, to not judge a book by its cover, or to tar everyone with the same brush.

Victorian Soccer would be nowhere today if it weren't for the immigrants of the 50's and 60's, who formed Clubs, and then spent countless years and dollars to grow these Clubs to the size that they are today.

What Clubs do and do not do is not dictated by the Ethnic Background of its Members.

Stay tuned for further details of this special meeting.

EARLY HONOURS

Over to the Westgate we go where preparations are well under way to greet its visitors come September 6.

Early bookings have been made by Frankston Pines, Fawkner Blues, Kingston City, Waverley Wanderers, Maribyrnong Greens, Cairnlea and Laverton Park. More firm bookings will be made over the next few weeks.

BOTTOM'S UP

Around the grounds we go and last Friday's match at Port Melbourne who hosted the "Out we come, out we come, out we come to play" Blue Boys from Northcote was certainly a tight encounter, with Northcote City saluting the judge late in the piece.

Northcote are in the box seat to win promotion to State One with a comfortable 5 point buffer from second placed Knox City, who defeated Doncaster Rovers 1-0 and putting paid any chance that Doncaster has of gaining promotion.

State League Division 1 has also been narrowed down to a 3 horse race after recent results.

Bentleigh Greens exited the promotion race after their 1-0 loss at home to Southern Stars, whilst out Dandenong way, preparations are taking place to name Zoran Trajevski as Mayor of Dandenong, who after a very shaky start, has managed to be in the box seat to gain promotion.

Out Sunshine Way, the Sunshine Georgies are also in the hunt as is the Southern Stars.

A blockbuster is to be played out Dandy way in 2 weeks, when Thunder hosts the Southern Stars.

Pascoe Vale have come close many times in gaining promotion but have either stumbled at the last hurdle or lost its play of matches. This year seems to be their year to finally make the jump to State 1.

Last but not least, The Foxtel Cup top 6 looks to also be an interesting affair, with the Oakleigh Canons, Heidelberg, Preston and the AIS to fight out the last 2 spots over the coming weeks.

Then we gear up for Finals Football, where the participants will spend more in player wages during the Finals Series, than what they will receive as Prize Money from the House of Darebin.

Next week sees a bye for all leagues, with the House of Darebin declaring it a catch up Round for postponed matches.

Many punters will be lost as to how to fill this non soccer Saturday.

Lads, if its gets too hard, remember, J Walker is never far away.

Until next week,

This is Katsa – Just as you've known him.

And remember – after the season finishes, the Fat Lady will no longer sing.

Unless…….

OLYROOS GO DOWN TO ARGENTINA

The Australian Men's Olympic Football team have been narrowly defeated by Argentina in their second match of 2008 Olympic Games Football tournament in Shanghai.

Australia held their own against their South American opposition for much of the match until, Argentinean striker Ezequiel Lavezzi scored in the 76th minute against the run of play, confirming his team's passage to the quarter-final stage of the tournament.

Argentina began the stronger of the two teams and could have taken the lead in the 15th minute when Australian goal keeper Adam Federici was penalised for holding onto the ball longer than 6 seconds in his own penalty box. Argentina's captain, Juan Riquelme's took a shot from the resulting indirect free-kick and went marginally wide of the right-hand post..

Australia's Billy Celeski had a great solo effort in the 21st minute beating three defenders inside the Argentina penalty box only to see his shot blocked by a sliding Federico Fazio.

Juan Riquelme had another opportunity near the half-hour mark when Lionel Messi set him up outside the Australian penalty box, but Federici had the his shot well covered.

Australia had a chance in the 39th minute when midfielder James Troisi slipped Archie Thompson a pass in behind the Argentinean defence. Unfortunately, Thompson's shot was mis-timed and went wide of the goal.

Lionel Messi came close to scoring just before half time, again combining with Riquelme at the edge of the box, but his left footed shot also went wide of the post and didn't concern Federici.

After the break, Argentina continued to apply the pressure and a flurry of shots from Riquelme and Javier Mascherano put the Australian goal in danger early on.

Midway through the second half, Australia had their best chance to score when substitute Nikita Rukavytsya fired his left footed shot into the side netting of the Argentine goal with his first touch of the ball.

The Argentinean goal came in the 76th minute when substitute Angel Di Maria made a break down the left side of the field before passing to Lionel Messi in the middle of the park. Messi played a deft ball to Juan Riquelme who in turn passed to Di Maria on the left side of the Australian penalty box. Di Maria then crossed to Ezequiel Lavezzi at the far post who was able to blast his shot past a diving Adam Federici and into the goal.

Australia pushed players forward looking for an equaliser, but Argentina closed the game down, content with a one-goal victory and safe passage to the quarter final stage of the tournament.

Australia will play their final group match of the 2008 Olympic Games Men's Football Tournament against Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast) at the Olympic Sports Center Stadium in Tianjin on Wednesday 13 August (Kick-off 9:45pm AEST). Australia will need a win to have a chance of progressing to the quarter final stage of the competition.

Match Details
Argentina 1 (Ezequiel Lavezzi 76')
Australia 0
Sunday, 10 August 2008
Shanghai Stadium, Shanghai, China PR
Referee: Viktor Kassai (HUN)
Assistant Referees: Gabor Eros (HUN) & Tibor Vamos (HUN)
Fourth Official: Jair Marrufo (USA)
Crowd: 38,182

Argentina line-up: 1.Oscar Ustari (gk), 2.Ezequiel Garay, 3.Luciano Monzon, 4.Pablo Zabaleta, 5.Fernando Gago, 6.Federico Fazio, 9.Ezequiel Lavezzi (7.Jose Sosa 87'), 10.Juan Riquelme (C), 14.Javier Mascherano, 15.Lionel Messi (13.Lautaro Acosta 93+'), 16.Sergio Aguero (11.Angel Di Maria 61').

Substitutes Not Used: 18.Sergio Romero (gk), 8.Ever Banega, 12. Nicolas Pareja, 17.Diego Buonanotte.

Yellow Cards: Nil.

Red Cards: Nil

Australia line-up: 1.Adam Federici (gk), 2.Jade North, 4.Mark Milligan (C), 5.Matthew Spiranovic, 7.Neil Kilkenny 8.Stuart Musialik, 10.Archie Thompson (17. Nikita Rukavytsya 72'), 11.David Carney, 13.Ruben Zadkovich, 14.James Troisi (9.Mark Bridge, 65'). 16.Billy Celeski (12. Trent McClenahan 81').

Substitutes Not Used: 18.Tando Velaphi (gk), 3.Adrian Leijer, 6.Nikolai Topor-Stanley, 15.Kristian Sarkies.

Yellow Cards: Adam Fedrici 74', Mark Milligan 89'.

Red Cards: Nil

WILD WET WEATHER POSPONES CRUCIAL SUPER LEAGUE MATCHES

Round 17 fixtures were sent into turmoil as wild, wet and wintry conditions put a stop to both day games leaving the Super League table up in the air.

The games between MetroStars v Campbelltown City and Adelaide Blue Eagles v Raiders, both crucial matches were postponed due to water logged pitches despite being two of the best quality grounds in the Super League. Both games will be played during the week to get a result as all scheduled fixtures need to be completed by the end of Round 18 on 16th August.

Night games went ahead as scheduled and none were more important than the middle of the table clash where Para Hills Knights went on to defeat a 10-man Modbury Jets 3-0. Knights got off to a great start taking the Jets defence to task, their striker Mark Mulady slotting the first through after a one-on-one with Jets keeper Paul Riley. At the 20 minute mark, Modbury found themselves on the end of a somewhat controversial referee's decision, a handball by Captain Nathan Day about 35metres out from the box deemed deliberate, receiving a straight red card to send him on his way to the change rooms. Jets worked hard with 10 men, themselves unlucky not to score towards the end of the first half, successfully holding off the Knights attack and keeping the scoreline at 1-0 to go into the halftime break. Para Hills Knights started the second half with a renewed energy, striker Stephen Stam successfully putting away a lovely cross to beat Riley and score their second. The Knights continued to pepper the goals, Mulady receiving a great cross from the right only to blast it over the crossbar. Jets keeper Riley was kept busy, pulling off some great diving saves, many times putting his body on the line to courageously defend his space and stop a blow-out score line for his side. Midway through the second, Shane Tobias ran onto a beautiful through ball from the middle of the park, took on the Jets defence and in one motion turned and drilled the ball past Riley for Para Hills 3rd. The Knights were by no means finished, as they continued to wear down the defence of the Jets and blast shot after shot that either went wide or clear of the woodwork with a last minute goal being called offside to keep the 3-0 as the final score. Modbury obviously missed their captain Nathan Day and with lack of firepower up front, found it a tall order to beat the inform Knights. Jets coach Duane Gray said, "The referee put his mark on the game with the decision to send Day off after only 20 minutes. From there, our boys fought their hearts out and were unlucky not to get an equaliser before half time.

High flying action last time Adelaide City and Galaxy faced up

The last 20 minutes we were out on our feet and were fortunate not to be beaten by more." Para Hills Knights move into 3rd spot on the ladder momentarily but have escaped relegation with their point tally now sitting on 25 points, five clear of White City with one game to go.

At Polonia Park the atmosphere was electric as the Croydon Kings finally pulled off their first win for the season downing the White City Warriors 3-1. The Kings set their first win up in style with three first half goals coming from John Motley with a single and a brace coming from Ali Toure to give the Warriors something to think about as they went in for the break. Kings keeper Anthony Stam had another brilliant game in goals, stopping anything that came his way like a cat on a hot tin roof, his reflexes and anticipation at their best. The Warriors has their chances to score, hitting the post 4 times during the match but luck not going their way, nothing making it to the back of the net. Despite being down to ten men after Phil Kirreh was sent off, the Kings stood strong and were the better team on the day. The Warriors now face the fight of their lives, survival in the Super League or relegation down to the Premier League.

Adelaide City and Adelaide Galaxy will face each other on Monday night at Adelaide City Park, Oakden. The only certainty here is that Adelaide Galaxy sitting on 24 points is now safe from relegation after White City were defeated by Croydon. City's Jonathon Negus is out with 3 broken ribs and a punctured lung after his injury was sustained in the FFSA Cup Semi Final match against the Blue Eagles last week and will miss the Cup Final on the 23rd August at Hindmarsh Stadium when his side face up to MetroStars.

By Nat Adamopoulos

Photo by George Manos

SUPER LEAGUE STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Adelaide City	16	11	1	4	30	14	16	34
MetroStars	16	10	3	3	35	14	21	33
Para Hills	17	7	4	6	25	25	0	25
Adelaide Galaxy	16	7	3	6	29	24	5	24
Campbelltown	16	6	5	5	18	18	0	23
Raiders	16	5	6	5	28	21	7	21
Modbury	17	6	3	8	20	26	-6	21
Blue Eagles	16	5	5	6	16	18	-2	20
White City	17	6	2	9	18	27	-9	20
Croydon	17	1	4	12	14	46	-32	7

FFSA RESULTS

Para Hills 3:0 Modbury
White City Woodville 1:3 Croydon

FOOTBALL WEST STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Sorrento FC	16	10	4	2	46	25	21	34
Perth SC	16	9	4	3	36	25	11	31
Inglewood Utd	16	9	3	4	30	24	6	30
Floreat Athena	15	9	2	4	30	18	12	29
Mandurah City	16	8	3	5	45	28	17	27
Cockburn City	16	7	4	5	34	35	-1	25
Stirling Lions	15	6	4	5	31	22	9	22
ECU Joondalup	16	6	3	7	35	30	5	21
Swan I.C.	16	5	3	8	31	36	-5	18
West Knights	16	4	3	9	23	37	-14	15
Armadale	16	2	3	11	12	42	-30	9
Fremantle	16	0	4	12	12	43	-31	4

RESULTS

Mandurah City 3 (Attrill5'O'Callaghan23'Brown41') **Swan IC 1** (Scalli70'); **Western Knights 1** (OG2') **Sorrento FC 5** (McDonald53'59'OG74'Martin83'Neville89'); **ECU Joondalup 1** (McMurray90') **Fremantle Spirit 1** (Moffit35'); **Cockburn City 1** (DosSantos27') **Inglewood United 2** (Kovakevic30'OG38'); **Perth SC 3** (Sharland2'Onoforo22'OG38') **Armadale 0.**

BANKSTOWN TAKE TIGER CUP

The Bankstown City Lions made up for their disappointing NSW Premier League campaign by taking out the Tiger Turf Cup at Seymour Shaw Park on Sunday afternoon, defeating Sydney Olympic 3-1 in the final.

In a dramatic game that featured three red cards and several opportunities, goals from George Nohra, Tayfun Devrimol and Chris Godoy-Bascur were enough to secure Bankstown their first piece of silverware in several years.

With a packed crowd looking on, the game's first moment of drama arrived in the 7th minute, when Bankstown defender Brett Studman perpetrated a true horror tackle on Olympic's Anthony Doumanis. The latter's team-mate Roger Galayini proceeded to barge nastily into Studman, and a brief all-in scuffle occurred, much to the consternation of referee Matthew Breeze. When the smoke cleared, Studman and Galayini were both shown red cards. 10 v. 10, only nine minutes into the game!

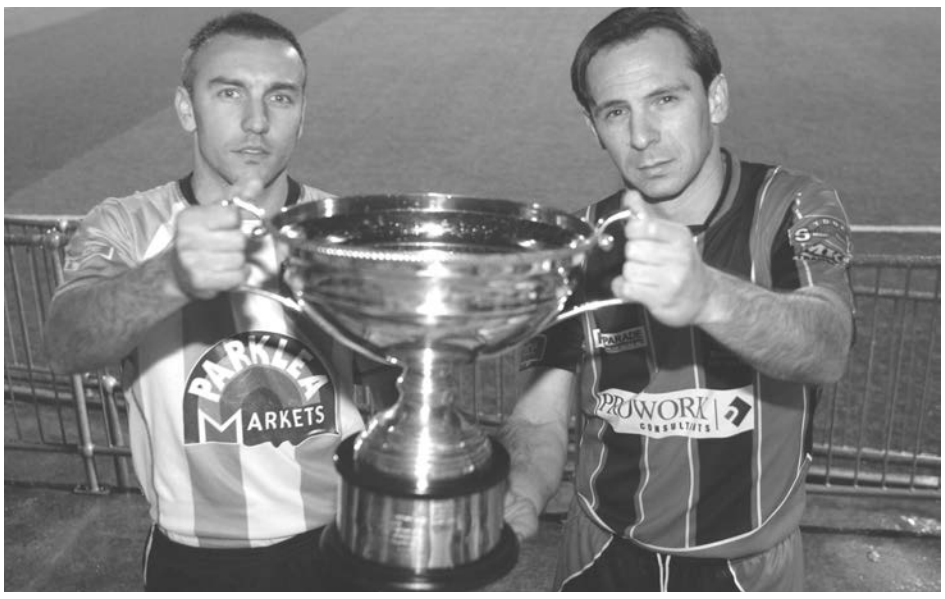
The game proceeded to be littered with fouls, including a nasty one by Paul Wither on Bankstown's Richard Luksic. In the 19th minute, Bankstown's first attack of any real note produced a goal: Robbie Mileski danced his way down the right and cut the ball back sharply for George Nohra to drive the ball crisply home.

Olympic's main outlet was young Chris Triantis on the right, and a magnificent mazy run by the promising midfielder on 25 minutes ended in a cross which was intercepted by a Bankstown hand…but Breeze waved the play on.

Another Olympic chance arrived on 32 minutes, when Anthony Hartshorn got a head to Shannon Cole's right-wing free kick. Zlatko Josevski launched himself towards the far post, and held the ball cleanly.

At the other end, Bankstown also had a free kick headed over by James Monie, who cleverly played in Shane Webb on the left soon afterwards; Monie ran intelligently to his right to collect the cross, but Webb instead aimed a weak shot at goal. Just before the break, another free kick, this time by Phil Makrys, nearly flew in at Olympic's near post: Sam Emmanouil was alert enough to gather the ball.

Marino Musumeci replaced Doumanis for Olympic at the break, and the Greek-based club gradually took control. Paul Wither was through on goal on 55 minutes after a rebound reached him in the box, but Josevski saved bravely; only a minute later, however, Olympic had equalised. Hartshorn began the move with an astute run down the left, and his brisk cut-back was slotted home by the substitute Musumeci.



Skippers from both Sydney Olympic (Peter Zorbas) and Bankstown City Lions (Zlatko Joseski) with the Tiger Turf Cup during the week.

The game opened up nicely. Monie knocked a header back for Richard Luksic to volley home on the hour, but the ball was ruled to have crossed the by-line. Eight minutes later, Cole, in his best contribution of an otherwise wretched last game for Olympic, slid the ball through to Milorad Simonovic in the middle, who fired a shot just wide.

Luksic was involved again on 70 minutes, when a half-cleared corner resulted in the ball reaching him on the far post: evading Emmanouil, he placed his header a fraction wide of goal.

Olympic went down to nine on 76 minutes. Chasing down a ball by the Bankstown touchline, Hartshorn committed a dreadful studs-up challenge on the back-tracking Devrimol: off he went.

With Cole replaced by the more attack-minded Mario Musumeci, Bankstown began to experience plenty of joy down the Olympic left. Monie surged down the right wing on 79 minutes, and his cutback, missed by Steve Liavas, was driven at goal by Webb: an Olympic defender was there to clear off the line.

Musumeci was played in again on 86 minutes by a combination of Mario Musumeci and another substitute, James Kovas, but he prodded the ball wide. And Olympic would live to regret the miss, as Bankstown went back in front only a minute later.

This time it was a Bankstown sub, Chris Godoy-Bascur, who made his way down Olympic's vacant left side of defence, and his sharp cut back was slotted in coolly by Devrimol. The Macedonians on the terraces exploded into cheers.

Olympic streamed forward, and left the inevitable gaps in defence. In the final minute of injury time, Olympic were exposed yet again on the left; this time it was the Sydney FC-bound Robbie Mileski, possibly offside, who exploited the gap; beating a man on the line, he slid a pass in to Godoy-Bascur, who was presented with a tap-in.

Congratulations Bankstown, Tiger Turf Cup champions 2008.

TELECHOICE RESULTS

Granville Rage 1 (D Harding 41m) Bonnyrigg White Eagles 2 (D Willoughby 39m M Zoric 60m), Fairfield City Lions 2 (S Erel 60m G Aligiannis 78m) Northern Tigers 5 (T Gledhill 10m Own goal 45m P Davies 55/73m K Garcia 84m). Mt Druitt Town Rangers 1 (M Haberman 46m) Central Coast Lightning 2 (E Koelma 32m/78m), Fraser Park FC 1 (M Soler 35m) Sydney University 2 (J Alcorn 13m P Peranta 78m Pen), Rockdale City Suns 4 (P Apolevski 4/25/65m Pen I Kotevski 84m) St George FC 0, PCYC Parramatta Eagles 2 (F Graham 5m G Lagoudakis 94m) FC Bossy Liverpool 0.

TELECHOICE STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	D	Pts
Sutherland Sharks	22	12	8	2	48	19	29	44
Wollongong FC	22	13	5	4	39	19	20	44
Sydney Olympic	22	12	5	5	38	23	15	41
Manly United FC	22	12	3	7	42	21	21	39
Sydney United	22	9	7	6	29	21	8	34
A.P.I.A Leichhardt	22	9	7	6	41	35	6	34
Bankstown City	22	7	6	9	27	27	0	27
West Sydney Berries	22	7	3	12	30	41	-11	24
Marconi Stallions	22	3	10	9	29	41	-12	19
Macarthur Rams	22	4	7	11	16	41	-25	19
Penrith Nepean United	22	3	8	11	25	50	-25	17
Blacktown City	22	3	7	12	14	40	-26	16

By Mike Salter

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STILL ANYONE'S TITLE IN STPL

Three teams are still in the title hunt in the Southern Tasmanian Premier League competition with just two rounds remaining.

South Hobart are on top, three points ahead of Tilford Zebras and five ahead of third-placed Hobart Olympic.

South Hobart drew with Zebras 1-1 last Sunday to keep the 3-point gap intact, while the same afternoon, Olympic lost ground when they were held to a 2-2 draw away to fifth-placed University at Olinda Grove.

Zebras took the lead against South Hobart in the 41st minute when central defender Andrew Telega pushed forward and played the ball wide to the right, where Ricky Self beat goalkeeper Mark Moncur and defender Liam Scott to the ball and pushed it home.

Billy Gasparinatos equalised in the 66th minute, heading home David Cooper's accurate cross from the right.

Olympic twice led University through strikes by Nektar Vavloulas and Michael Bulis, but they were pegged back each time through goals by Brook Teale and Luke Temby.

The following Friday night, Zebras put their noses in front of South Hobart on goal-difference by coming from behind to beat fourth-placed Glenorchy Knights 2-1.

Tom Huigsloot netted for the Knights 40 seconds into the second half after Zebras goalkeeper Frank Mainella could only block at the feet of Joe Minnucci.

Without Ben Crosswell, the Zebras appeared toothless in attack and again it was the central defenders who came to the rescue.

In the 58th minute, Andrew Telega nodded home Self's corner from the right to make it 1-1, while in the 67th minute, Henry Fagg got on to the end of Josh Thorpe's free-kick to beat Ben Peter with a powerful header.

South Hobart needed a win against Kingborough Lions United away at Lightwood Park on the Saturday to regain top spot and that's exactly what they did.

After a dour goalless opening half, both sides upped the tempo in the second period and Gasparinatos grabbed the crucial goal for South 10 minutes from the end.

Kingborough's Ryan Bevan (left) out-runs South Hobart's goalscorer Billy Gasparinatos while referee Tom Humphries looks on.

In the first half, the Lions had gone close through Greg Freeman, Ross Hinkley and Tom McDonald, while in the second half, David Abbott, Shae Hickey and David Cooper almost scored for the visitors, the latter heading against the inside of the far post and the ball falling into the arms of a grateful Lions goalkeeper, Jason Voss.

The breakthrough came in the 80th minute when Gasparinatos rifled home a low shot that beat Voss at his near post and clipped the inside of the post before rocketing into the net.

Gasparinatos had been fortunate to still be on the field. He had received a yellow card on the hour and later appeared to kick Marc Iseli behind the play and under the nose of the referee's assistant, who took no action, despite the heated reaction from the Lions bench.

Lions' substitute, Garry Upton, returning in the 73rd minute from a one-month suspension, lasted just 9 minutes before being red-carded by referee Tom Humphries.

Hobart Olympic overcame relegated Taroona 3-1 through two goals by Michael Bulis and one by Carl Larzabal. Tom Sherman, whose brother plays for Whittlesea Zebras and is currently in the UK for a trial with Hereford, replied for Taroona.

SOUTH TPL STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
South Hobart	16	12	2	2	45	13	38
Tilford Zebras	16	11	2	3	63	24	35
Hobart Olympic	16	10	3	3	44	27	33
Glen Knights	16	8	2	6	36	30	26
University	15	7	3	5	29	27	24
Clarence United	15	6	2	7	25	30	20
Kingbo Lions U	16	4	5	7	25	40	17
NT Eagles	15	4	3	8	19	26	16
Metro	15	2	2	11	20	43	8
Taroona	16	0	3	13	16	63	3

NORTH TPL STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Devonport City	13	11	1	1	49	12	34
Nthrn Rangers	13	8	4	1	38	14	28
Prosp Knights	14	9	1	4	31	21	28
Burnie United	14	7	4	3	30	30	25
Somerset	13	7	1	5	35	21	22
Rivers Olympic	13	4	1	8	22	29	13
Launceston C	13	2	4	7	21	28	10
Launceston Utd	14	2	1	11	13	53	7
Ulverstone	13	1	1	11	10	41	4

By Walter Pless

Photos by Walter Pless

A little bit of this that & the other

This week's football television & radio listings.

FOXTEL CUP

The Victorian Football Show
Every Wednesday C31 8pm

The Green Gully Football Show

Every Saturday C31 10.30am

World Game Football Show

88.6 FM Plenty Valley
11am Every Saturday

EPL

Sat Aug 16 **Arsenal v West Brom**
9.40 pm Fox Sports 3
Sat Aug 16 **Everton v Blackburn**
11.55 pm Fox Sports 3
Sat Aug 16 **West Ham v Wigan**
11.55 pm Viewers Choice
Sat Aug 16 **Bolton v Stoke**
11.55 pm Viewers Choice
Sat Aug 16 **Hull v Fulham**
11.55 pm Viewers Choice
Sat Aug 16 **M'brough v Tottenham**
11.55 pm Viewers Choice
Sun Aug 17 **Sunderland v Liverpool**
2.25 am Fox Sports 3
Sun Aug 17 **Chelsea v Portsmouth**
10.25 pm Fox Sports 1
Sun Aug 18 **Man United v Newcastle**
12.55 am Fox Sports 1

VARIOUS

Mon Aug 11 German Cup LIVE:
Rot-Weiss Erfurt vs Bayern Munich
KO 5:30am Setanta

Tues Aug 12 SPL LIVE:
Hamilton vs Dundee Utd
KO 4:45am Setanta

Thurs Aug 14 UEFA Champions League LIVE:
Standard Liege vs Liverpool
KO 5:05am Setanta

Thurs Aug 14 Copa Sudamericana LIVE:
Vasco vs Palmeiras
KO 10:50am Setanta

Fri Aug 15 UEFA Cup LIVE:
FH Hafnarf Jordur vs Aston Villa
KO 4.00am Setanta

Sat Aug 16 German Bundesliga LIVE:
Bayern Munich vs Hamburg
KO 4:30am Setanta

Sun Aug 17 SPL
Rangers vs Hearts
4:30am Setanta

Sun Aug 17French Le Championnat LIVE:
PSG vs Bordeaux
KO 5:00am Setanta

CLASSIC BILL TURNER CUP FINAL

The Riverina - Victoria Bill Turner Cup Final was a real spine tingling affair. Griffith's Wade High School entertained Galan Catholic College, Wangaratta, in a game that spectators in any sport would wish to see.

Participants all contributed in making it what it was, from the young men in both squads, the two excellent coaches, the young linesmen, a top referee with many years of experience and an excited group of spectators.

From the first blast of the whistle Wade, with the support of a strong wind, really looked good. This led the sides using the long ball in the hope that their speedy strikers could grab the advantage by running onto the loose ball.

Naturally, the astute coaches using their own special signals soon stabilised their powerful defences.

Then Galan started to dominate in the midfield but could not break through the Wade defence thanks to a powerhouse performance from the sweeper, George Hancock. Wade came back and looked dangerous when they broke down the right side, using the speed and skill df Jacob Vardanega.

It was Vardanega who broke the deadlock. He latched onto a through ball from his midfielders in the twelfth minute to steer the ball beyond the outstretched fingers of goalkeeper, Jonathon Payne.

The Wangaratta players lifted their effort and pressured Wade until the break.

Much of the second half was again dominated by the visitors. Midfielders Ryan Vandersteeg and Jarryd Me Kellar were unlucky not to break down Wades defence. But actually it was "desperate" defence and excellent goalkeeping by Daniel Mancinelli that kept Galan from scoring.

In a body wrenching effort towards the end of play, Galan threw players forward hoping to take the game into extra time. This left their defence somewhat vulnerable allowing Wade to attack the depleted defence.

It was here that everyone was treated to a display of goalkeeping from the brilliant Jonathon Payne.

Bill Turner Cup and Trophy
By David Dunn

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SOUTH LEADS A-LEAGUE BID

The South Melbourne Football Club is pleased to announce that it is leading a bid from Melbourne for the licence to operate the second team from Victoria in the Hyundai A-League.

The Club is presently involved in preliminary discussions with the FFA and has been invited to present its formal proposal for the licence later this month.

The bid which is compelling and broad based, involves the new team having a base at the soon to be redeveloped Bob Jane Stadium and incorporates the participation of a variety of stake holders from the Victorian Football community.

As part of the bid process, the South Melbourne Football Club has appointed an A-League Bid Team to finalise and present the bid to the FFA. The Bid Team is confident that the new team will be embraced by all football followers in this State.

South Melbourne FC, which will remain independent of the new entity and will celebrate its 50th anniversary next year, will continue its participation in Victorian Football and its ongoing development and expansion of football in Australia.

HYUNDAI A-LEAGUE

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CATCH UP ROUND

The Victorian State and Provisional leagues will conduct their catch up round on this Saturday 16th August with all games kicking off at 3pm. A full fixture list will resume the following weekend.

STATE NW 3 - Round 7
Laverton Park v Westvale
Laverton Park Reserve

PROVI NW 1 - Round 7
Avondale Heights v Plenty Valley Lions
Allan Reserve

PROVI SE 1 - Round 3
Monash University v Rowville Eagles
Monash Uni Sports Ground

PROVI NW 2
Round 7
Brimbank City v Northern Falcons Arthur
Beachley Reserve

Round 11
Hoppers Crossing v Essendon Utd
Grange Reserve

PROVI SE 2 -Round 2
Riversdale v Carrum Utd
Frog Hollow Reserve

PROVI NW 3 - Round 13
Youth Utd v Watsonia Heights
Seth Raistrick Reserve

PROVI SE 3 - Round 21
Brighton v Old Carey
Dendy Park

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WOMEN'S & MEN'S MASTERS

Results & Ladders

MENS METROPOLITAN LEAGUE: East Bentleigh 2 (R Herangi F Manilardi) Reservoir Strikers 1 (J Kareem), Caulfield Grammarians 1 (FJ Gonzalez) Glen Waverley 0, Upfield 3 (HE Kakos 2 D Al Mugoter) Ringwood City 0, Broadmeadows Utd 4 (H Unal G Aksakal SG Aslan 2) Darebin Legends 0, Meadow Park 2 (D Magro RP Plochino) St. Kevins 0, Res: East Bentleigh 4 Reservoir Strikers 1, Caulfield Grammarians 3 Glen Waverley 4, Upfield 5 Ringwood City 0, Broadmeadows Utd 0 Darebin Legends 2, Meadow Park 0 St. Kevins 2

WOMENS STATE LEAGUE: Div 1: South Yarra 3 (T Harrison E Padovan K Lyons) Bayswater Strikers 2, Monbulk 2 (S Williams R Saber) Brighton 0, Ballarat Strikers 2 (BL Taylor SJ Gentle) Uni. of Melbourne 0, GRFA 6 (B Elsen K Mills MH Harrington F Jacobsen 2 Own Goal) Whittlesea Zebras 0, Res: South Yarra 0 Bayswater Strikers 4, Monbulk Brighton , Ballarat Strikers 1 Uni. of Melbourne 3, GRFA 1 Whittlesea Zebras 2

Div 2 North-West: North Geelong 1 (A Stevanja) Melton 1, La Trobe University 0 Altona City 1 (I Manche), Melbourne Bears 0 Bundoora Utd 10 (M Zilic 4 N Nicolaou 2 N Aleksoski 3), Port Melbourne 1 (K Emmanouilides) Fawkner Blues 1 (MI Dos Santos)

Div 2 South-East: Beaumaris 2 Ashburton 0, South Springvale 11 (M Capelja 3 M Batinic 4 M Tartaglia 3 L Pejovnik) Knox Utd 2 (LJ Allen E Sansone), Mooroolbark 2 Berwick City 3, Southern Suburbs 4 (T Moutafis 3 H Vassiliou) Bentleigh Greens 0, Sandringham 4 (K Montgomery 2 C Gebert L Toovey) Monash University 3 (S Ward C Vandestadt T Ghazarian)

Div 3 North-West: Westvale 0 Western Suburbs 2 (T Fragopoulos R McConnell), Sunshine Georgies 3 (J Ghirxi 2 D Gvozdic) West Preston 0, Diamond Valley Utd 0 Maribyrnong Utd 0, Epping City 0 Maribyrnong Greens 0

Div 3 South-East: Ashburton 4 South Melbourne 3, Sandringham 1 (E Reuter) Mornington Flames 2 (M Tulett 2), Noble Park 3 (L Moya M Atanasova R Kok) Endeavour Utd 0, Richmond 0 Albert Park WSC 2 (AF Tardif D Soliman), Doncaster Rovers Knox City

WOMENS METROPOLITAN LEAGUE: Metro North-West: Fitzroy City 6 Uni. of Melbourne 1, Old Carey Mitchell Rangers , Kyneton District 1 (SM Bender) DOC United WFC 5, FC Bulleen Lions Cairnlea WSC

Metro South-East: Sandringham 0 Croydon City Arrows 4, North Caulfield 3 Brighton 0, Ringwood City 4 Monash University 0, East Bentleigh 1 Endeavour Hills 1

MENS THIRDS: Metro North-West: Reservoir Stars 6 Clifton Hill 5, Werribee City 4 Collingwood City 1

Metro South-East: Bayside Argonauts 1 Central Park AC Malvern 0, Melbourne University Rangers 2 South Yarra 0,

Central: Waverley Wanderers 0 South Yarra 11, Central Park Rangers 4 Ashburton 2, La Trobe University 4 Monash University 0, Juventus Old Boys 3 North Caulfield 0

North: Melbourne Lions 1 La Trobe University 2, Brunswick City 3 Plenty Valley Lions 0,

North-West: Melbourne University Rangers 1 Cairnlea 3, Essendon Utd 5 Hoppers Crossing 0, Mitchell Rangers 1 Upfield 0, Brimbank La Trobe University ,

South: Doveton 4 Sandringham City 1, Southern Suburbs 3 Monash University 1, Berwick City 3 Dandenong Thunder 0,

South-East: Eltham North Cleeland Utd , Brighton 1 Marcellin Eagles SC 4

MENS MASTERS: Metro: Watsonia Heights 1 Sunshine Blues 6, Moreland City 2 Bundoora Utd 2, Avondale Heights Heidelberg Utd

South-East: Southern Suburbs 4 Beaumaris Masters 1, Juventus Old Boys 4 Brighton 1, Doveton 3 Doncaster Rovers 2

Central: North Caulfield 4 Eastern Lions 2,

Mens Metropolitan League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Upfield	19	16	3	0	60	20	51
Meadow Park	19	12	5	2	52	21	41
Reservoir Strik	19	10	2	7	50	36	32
East Bentleigh	19	9	1	9	31	26	28
Broadmeadow	18	6	7	5	30	31	25
Ringwood City	18	7	4	7	29	21	22
Glen Waverley	19	6	4	9	30	41	22
Darebin Lege	19	4	5	10	33	46	17
St. Kevins	19	3	6	10	32	65	15
Caulfield Gra	19	2	1	16	16	56	7

Mens Metropolitan League Reserves

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
East Bentleig	18	15	1	2	61	22	46
Upfield	18	14	1	3	60	20	43
Darebin Legend	19	13	3	3	55	22	42
Reservoir Strike	19	9	4	6	34	31	31
Glen Waverley	19	7	3	9	29	44	24
Ringwood City	18	8	2	8	32	37	23
Meadow Park	19	6	4	9	28	30	22
St. Kevins	19	3	4	12	29	57	13
Caulfield Gram	19	2	4	13	25	58	10
Broadmeadow	18	2	2	14	19	51	8

Womens State League Div 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Uni. of Melb	14	9	4	1	34	10	31
GRFA	14	6	5	3	25	19	23
Bayswater Strik	14	6	5	3	22	18	23
Monbulk	14	5	4	5	23	27	19
Whitehorse Utd	14	4	5	5	20	17	17
Ballarat Strikers	14	5	2	7	23	23	17
Brighton	14	3	5	6	21	26	14
South Yarra	15	4	2	9	24	41	14
Whittlesea Zeb	13	3	4	6	14	25	13

Womens State League Div 1 Reserves

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Uni. of Melbour	14	11	1	2	51	11	34
Whitehorse Ut	14	9	3	2	30	16	30
Whittlesea Zeb	13	8	1	4	27	21	25
Monbulk	13	8	1	4	24	20	25
Brighton	13	5	3	5	28	23	18
Bayswater Str	14	6	0	8	21	26	18
GRFA	14	3	4	7	22	31	13
South Yarra	15	1	4	10	8	46	7
Ballarat Strikers	14	1	3	10	12	29	6

Womens State League Div 2 North-West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Bundoora Utd	15	13	1	1	87	20	40
Altona City	15	13	1	1	74	11	40
Melton	16	8	3	5	19	17	27
La Trobe Uni	16	8	1	7	27	23	25
North Geelong	15	7	3	5	30	22	24
Port Melbourne	15	6	1	8	27	35	19
Fawkner Blues	16	5	3	8	31	49	18
Melbourne Be	15	6	0	9	20	50	18
Darebin Falco	14	2	3	9	19	30	9
Brunswick Zeb	15	0	0	15	6	83	0

Womens State League Div 2 South-East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Springv	16	16	0	0	63	10	48
Berwick City	16	11	1	4	47	23	34
Monash Univer	16	8	4	4	33	22	28
Sandringham	15	6	5	4	30	25	23
Knox Utd	15	7	1	7	40	39	22
Ashburton	16	5	4	7	28	36	19
Southern Subu	16	5	1	10	29	30	16
Beaumaris	16	4	3	9	16	37	15
Mooroolbark	16	4	2	10	16	36	14
Bentleigh G	16	2	1	13	8	52	7

Womens State League Div 3 North-West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Western Eagl	15	15	0	0	74	5	45
Western Subu	15	11	1	3	37	11	34
West Preston	16	9	1	6	43	20	28
Sunshine Geor	15	8	3	4	35	25	27
Diamond Valle	15	6	5	4	22	22	23
Melbourne Tor	14	6	2	6	22	19	20
Epping City	16	4	4	8	17	25	16
Maribyrnong	16	3	4	9	15	33	13
Maribyrnong Ut	16	3	4	9	18	39	13
Westvale	16	0	0	16	7	91	0

Womens State League Div 3 South-East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Albert Park	15	13	1	1	32	9	40
Mornington F	16	12	1	3	45	15	37
Endeavour Utd	15	10	1	4	44	21	31
Doncaster R	14	10	0	4	56	19	30
Noble Park	15	8	4	3	38	14	28
Richmond	15	6	0	9	15	42	18
Ashburton	15	4	4	7	26	37	16
Sandringham	16	4	2	10	19	34	14
South Melbour	16	2	1	13	21	53	7
Knox City	15	0	0	15	6	58	0

Womens Metropolitan League North-West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen Li	15	12	3	0	81	10	39
Old Carey	13	10	1	2	57	19	31
Kyneton Distric	16	9	2	5	37	27	29
Cairnlea WSC	14	9	1	4	72	26	28
DOC United W	14	7	2	5	46	29	23
Brunswick Zeb	15	7	1	7	42	33	22
Brunswick City	14	4	3	7	28	34	15
Fitzroy City	15	5	0	10	41	60	15
Uni. of Melbour	15	2	1	12	17	74	7
Mitchell Rang	15	1	0	14	13	122	3

Womens Metropolitan League South-East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Endeavour Hi	16	12	3	1	70	17	39
North Caulfield	15	12	2	1	41	11	38
Ringwood City	16	11	3	2	66	16	36
East Bentleigh	16	7	6	3	37	31	27
Brighton	16	7	4	5	27	26	25
Croydon City A	16	6	2	8	30	30	20
Monash Univer	15	5	3	7	24	29	18
Sandringh	16	2	3	11	14	52	9
Swinburne Uni	15	1	2	12	9	53	5
Albert Park	15	0	2	13	10	63	2

Mens Thirds Metro North-West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Werribee City	14	10	2	2	52	21	32
Altona East Ph	13	9	3	1	48	18	30
St. Kevins	13	7	2	4	28	25	23
Collingwood C	15	4	5	6	32	35	17
Clifton Hill	14	5	1	8	31	38	16
Fawkner Blues	13	3	5	5	25	37	14
Reservoir Stars	14	4	2	8	34	47	14
Old Melburnian	13	3	3	7	21	33	12
Uni. of Melbou	13	3	3	7	23	40	12
Melbourne Lio	0				0	0	-3

Mens Thirds Metro South-East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Bayside Ar	16	11	5	0	71	16	38
Melbourne Un	16	9	3	4	37	21	30
Old Camberwell	14	9	2	3	51	27	29
South Yarra	16	9	2	5	39	28	29
Monash Univer	14	8	2	4	46	19	26
Old Melburnia	15	7	4	4	40	27	25
Riversdale	15	7	3	5	40	25	24
Central Park A	16	6	5	5	41	33	23
Sandringham	14	5	0	9	27	40	15
Nova FC	15	3	0	12	18	75	9
Old Trinity G	14	2	0	12	18	73	6
Scotch Old Bo	15	1	0	14	12	56	3

Mens Thirds Central

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
La Trobe Uni	15	10	5	0	53	14	35
South Yarra	15	11	1	3	74	11	34
Juventus Old B	15	9	6	0	45	19	33
Boroondara Ea	15	10	1	4	45	35	31
Nunawading	15	7	4	4	31	28	25
Central Park	15	5	3	7	22	37	18
North Caulfield	15	4	2	9	29	38	14
Ashburton	15	4	0	11	24	60	12
Monash Univer	15	3	2	10	17	29	11
Waverley Wa	15	0	0	15	8	77	0

Mens Thirds North

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
La Trobe Uni	14	14	0	0	55	10	42
Plenty Valley	14	8	1	5	29	24	25
DOC United	14	6	6	2	38	20	24
Brunswick City	14	7	1	6	35	30	22
Moreland City	14	5	2	7	14	19	17
Melbourne L	14	5	3	6	28	24	15
Watsonia Heig	14	4	2	8	28	41	14
Uni. of Melbou	15	4	2	9	16	39	14
Melton	13	2	2	9	17	38	8
Fawkner Blues	8	2	1	5	10	25	7

Mens Thirds North-West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Cairnlea	15	10	2	3	44	28	32
La Trobe Univ	15	9	5	1	41	25	32
Mitchell Range	15	8	2	5	20	22	26
Essendon Utd	15	6	4	5	35	32	22
Keilor Park	15	5	5	5	27	24	20
Melbourne Uni	15	5	4	6	22	18	19
Brimbank	13	4	6	3	23	21	18
Upfield	16	4	4	8	33	41	16
Hoppers Cross	14	2	3	9	20	34	9
Greenvale Unit	9	0	1	8	9	29	1

Mens Thirds South

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doveton	16	13	2	1	56	9	41
Southern S	15	9	5	1	30	13	32
Boroondara	15	7	5	3	39	24	26
Berwick City	16	8	1	7	31	21	25
Dandenong T	16	6	2	8	54	54	20
Sandringham	16	5	4	7	23	31	19
Monash Univer	16	5	4	7	31	46	19
Beaumaris	15	3	4	8	20	29	13
Bayside Argo	14	3	4	7	17	36	13
Waverley Wa	15	1	3	11	11	49	6

Mens Thirds South-East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Cleeland Utd	15	12	1	2	72	12	37
Marcellin Eagl	16	11	2	3	72	20	35
Boroondara E	15	9	2	4	48	25	29
Scotch Old B	15	7	4	4	52	27	25
Caulfield Gra	15	7	2	6	32	29	23
Mooroolbark	15	7	1	7	41	46	22
Old Trinity Gr	15	6	1	8	30	43	19
Brighton	16	5	0	11	28	63	15
Old Carey	14	2	1	11	15	59	7
Eltham North	14	2	0	12	14	80	6

Mens Masters Metro

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Bundoora Utd	14	11	1	2	74	25	34
Moreland City	14	9	4	1	64	16	31
Sunshine Blues	14	9	1	4	46	24	28
Heidelberg Utd	13	8	1	4	37	23	25
Whittlesea Utd	14	5	2	7	38	42	17
Avondale Heig	12	2	1	9	17	52	7
Watsonia Heig	15	2	0	13	20	62	6
Mill Park	6	0	0	6	5	57	0

Mens Masters South-East

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Juventus Ol	13	11	0	2	52	21	33
Southern Sub	12	10	0	2	36	12	30
Mooroolbark	13	9	0	4	48	23	27
Endeavour Hill	14	8	2	4	41	23	26
Beaumaris Ma	14	7	1	6	32	26	22
Brighton	14	4	0	10	26	43	12
Doncaster	14	3	2	9	38	49	11
Glen Waverl	14	2	4	8	26	42	10
Doveton	14	1	3	10	13	73	6

Mens Masters Central

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Yarra	12	10	2	0	52	13	32
Eastern Lions	13	7	3	3	49	24	24
DOC United	11	6	3	2	34	21	21
Whitehorse Ut	13	5	3	5	33	36	18
North Caulfield	13	5	1	7	26	32	16
Uni. of Melbou	13	2	1	10	17	56	7
Ashburton	11	1	1	9	12	41	4

Boys 18 Super League: South Springvale 3 Casey Comets 0, South Melbourne 2 Green Gully 2, Springvale White Eagles 0 Fawkner 2, Kingston City 2 Essendon Royals 9, Brunswick City 3 Keilor Park 0

Boys S/E 16 Super League: Berwick City 2 FC Bulleen Lions 0, Oakleigh 1 Doncaster Rovers 2, Box Hill Inter 1 Eastern Lions 0, Chelsea Endeavour Utd , Springvale White Eagles 3 South Melbourne 0

Boys S/E 15 Super League: Bye Oakleigh , Berwick City 2 FC Bulleen Lions 6, North Caulfield 2 Monash City 0, Dandenong Thunder 0 Mornington 4, Dandenong City Nunawading City

Boys S/E 14 Super League: Oakleigh 0 FC Bulleen Lions 3, Box Hill Inter 0 Sandringham City 1, Beaumaris 2 Monash City 2, Richmond 1 GSL 1, South Melbourne 0 Peninsula Strikers JFC 1

Boys S/E 13 Super League: Berwick City 2 FC Bulleen Lions 1, Box Hill Inter 0 Sandringham City 0, South Melbourne 5 N.T.C 0, Croydon City Arrows 2 GSL 0, Monash City 3 Brighton 1

Boys N/W 16 Super League: Hume Utd Bye , Fawkner Keilor Park , Melbourne Knights 0 Preston Lions 2, Coburg Utd Green Gully , Cairnlea 7 Sunshine Georgies 1

Boys N/W 15 Super League: Altona Magic Bye , Sunshine Heights 1 Essendon Royals 2, Fawkner Keilor Park , Melbourne Knights 5 Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 3, Preston Lions 2 Green Gully 2

Boys N/W 14 Super League: Melbourne Knights 1 Brimbank 4, Essendon Royals 2 Keilor Park 3, Hume Utd 0 Brunswick City 3, Whittlesea Zebras 1 Green Gully 5, Cairnlea 0 Coburg Utd 2

Boys N/W 13 Super League: Brunswick Zebras 1 North City Lions 2, Bundoora Utd 1 Keilor Park 0, Melbourne Knights 2 GRFA 0, Essendon Royals 2 Green Gully 0, Light Utd 2 Altona City 0

Boys Metro 18 Blue: Eastern Lions 0 Richmond 3, Altona East Knox City , Manningham Cairnlea , Doncaster Rovers Stonnington City , Altona City 1 Frankston Pines 3

Boys Metro 18 Orange: Mornington 3 Beaumaris 0, Berwick City 2 Doveton 7, Brighton 3 Sandringham City 0, Endeavour Utd Baxter , Langwarrin Keysborough

Boys Metro 18 Purple: Heidelberg Utd 1 Whittlesea Zebras 7, Altona Magic Bentleigh Greens , Preston Lions 1 Richmond 5, Sunshine Georgies 2 Oakleigh 3, Westgate 1 DOC United FC 3

Boys Metro 18 Red: Ballarat & District SA 1 Western Eagles 6, Lalor Utd Light Utd , Northcote City 5 Brunswick Zebras 1, Essendon Royals Westvale , Melbourne Phoenix JFC 4 Bundoora Utd 1

Boys Metro 18 Yellow: Ashburton 2 Boroondara Lions 3, Manningham 2 Brandon Park 0, Mooroolbark 1 East Bentleigh 4, North Caulfield 4 Sherbrooke Rangers 3, Doncaster Rovers Darebin Legends

Boys South 16 A: Berwick City 0 Mornington 7, Southern Stars 3 Sandringham City 4, Chelsea Dandenong City , Brighton 6 Langwarrin 0

Boys South 16 B: Beaumaris 1 Langwarrin 3, Brighton 2 Doveton 7, Bentleigh Greens Baxter , Bye Casey Comets

Boys South 15 A: Bye Doveton , Berwick City 3 Casey Comets 0, Beaumaris 6 Springvale White Eagles 3, Brighton 2 East Bentleigh 0, Langwarrin Chelsea

Boys South 15 B: Bye Peninsula Strikers JFC , Brighton 0 Seaford Utd 1, Sandringham City 2 Langwarrin 0

Boys South 15 C: Beaumaris Bye , Phillip Island 1 Baxter 1 5, Sandringham City 1 East Bentleigh 1, Brighton 2 Doveton 5, Baxter 2 Endeavour Utd

Boys South 14 A: Berwick City 6 Mornington 2, Beaumaris Harrisfield Hurricanes , Hampton Park Utd 12 Keysborough 2, Brighton 1 Bentleigh Greens 1, Chelsea Hampton

Boys South 14 B: Berwick City 2 Bentleigh Greens 8, Langwarrin Baxter , Sandringham City 3 Chelsea 0, Endeavour Utd Brighton , Mornington 1 Hampton 0

Boys South 14 C: Bye Langwarrin , Casey Comets East Bentleigh , Sandringham City 1 Rosebud 5, Brighton 1 Seaford Utd 5, Peninsula Strikers JFC 12 Hampton Park Utd 0

Boys South 13 A: Dandenong City Bye , Berwick City 1 Dandenong Thunder 1, Hampton Park Utd 5 Langwarrin 0, Hampton 0 Keysborough 3, Endeavour Utd Mornington

Boys South 13 B: Brighton 3 Baxter 2, East Bentleigh 2 Doveton 1, Bentleigh Greens 2 Mornington 0, Beaumaris 5 Sandringham City 1

Boys South 13 C: Beaumaris 2 Mornington 0, Casey Comets Brighton , Rosebud 3 Springvale White Eagles 0, Peninsula Strikers JFC 5 Carrum Utd 0

Boys South 13 D: Endeavour Utd 3 Frankston Pines 0, Berwick City 4 Peninsula Strikers JFC 0, Lyndale Utd Langwarrin , East Bentleigh 0 Brighton 4

Boys South 12 A: Berwick City 2 Mornington 3, Peninsula Strikers JFC 0 Sandringham City 4, Langwarrin South Eastern Piranhas , Brighton 1 GSL 1, Bentleigh Greens Hampton

Boys South 12 B: Berwick City 2 Southern Stars 1, Melbourne Phoenix JFC 8 Langwarrin 0, Sandringham City 0 Hampton Park Utd 0, Seaford Utd 0 Casey Comets 3, Bentleigh Greens Beaumaris

Boys South 12 C: Hampton Park Utd Bye , Langwarrin East Bentleigh , Sandringham City 0 Beaumaris 4, Brighton Doveton , Mornington 2 Hampton 2

Boys South 12 D: East Bentleigh 0 Dandenong Thunder 4, Carrum Utd 1 Doveton 1, Lyndale Utd 2 Keysborough 3, Brighton Beaumaris , Baxter 0 Berwick City 1

Boys South 12 E: Baxter (Western Port) 9 Rosebud 0, Beaumaris 1 Harrisfield Hurricanes 0, Casey Panthers 2 Sandringham City 0, Brighton Peninsula Strikers JFC , Casey Comets 8 Seaford Utd 1

Boys South 11 Kangaroos Green: Beaumaris Bye , Endeavour Utd 7 Kingston City 0, Brighton 10 Peninsula Strikers JFC 0, Bentleigh Greens 1 South Eastern Piranhas 1, Mornington 7 Dandenong City 0

Boys South 11 Kangaroos Yellow: Berwick City 11 Chelsea 0, Southern Stars 4 Sandringham City 1, GSL 1 Hampton 0, Langwarrin 1 Springvale White Eagles 1, Brandon Park 4 Aspendale 0

Boys South 11 Kangaroos/Joeys Red: Brighton 1 1 Beaumaris 1, Hampton 0 Mornington 4, Keysborough Brighton 2 , Aspendale Sandringham City

Boys South 11 Joeys Blue: Brighton Carrum Utd , Baxter 1 Beaumaris 0, Peninsula Strikers JFC 0 Berwick City 3, Hampton Park Utd 6 Sandringham City 1

Boys South 11 Joeys Orange: Brighton Seaford Utd , Bentleigh Greens Beaumaris , Berwick City 0 Casey Comets 2, Mornington 0 Doveton 2

Boys East 16 A: Oakleigh 2 FC Bulleen Lions 0, Nunawading City Manningham , Sherbrooke Rangers Whitehorse , Richmond 2 Clayton 2, Riversdale Doncaster Rovers

Boys East 16 B: Hampton Park Utd 5 Manningham 1, North Caulfield 6 Glen Waverley 0, Casey Comets 2 Caulfield Utd 3, Boronia 17 Knox City 1

Boys East 16 C: South Springvale 2 Hampton 4, Eastern Lions 8 Mooroolbark 1, Ashburton 2 Whitehorse 0, Mooroolbark Clayton , Croydon City Arrows 6 Glen Eira 3

Boys East 15 A: Eastern Lions Manningham , Glen Waverley 0 Boronia 2, South Melbourne 3 Brandon Park 1, Richmond 5 Clayton 0, FC Bulleen Lions Doncaster Rovers

Boys East 15 B: Oakleigh 1 FC Bulleen Lions 1, North Caulfield 3 Richmond 3, Sherbrooke Rangers 3 Manningham 1, Caulfield Utd 1 Doncaster Rovers 1, Boronia Riversdale

Boys East 15 C: Bye Boroondara Lions , North Caulfield Ashburton 2 , Brandon Park 2 Whitehorse 1, Ashburton 1 Glen Waverley , Mooroolbark Ringwood City

Boys East 14 A: Casey Comets 3 Manningham 1, North Caulfield 5 Brandon Park 0, Knox City 2 Whitehorse 0, Glen Waverley 3 Waverley Wanderers 1, FC Bulleen Lions Doncaster Rovers

Boys East 14 B: Riversdale 2 Noble Park 2, North Caulfield 4 Glen Waverley 0, Knox City 0 Stonnington City 2, Doncaster Rovers 4 Eastern Lions 1, Croydon City Arrows 0 Ringwood City 7

Boys East 14 C: Mooroolbark Boronia , Whitehorse 3 Richmond 0, Heidelberg Utd Caulfield Utd , Doncaster Rovers Melbourne Phoenix JFC

Boys East 14 D: East Bentleigh Bye , Riversdale 3 Croydon City Arrows 0, Glen Eira 5 Stonnington City 0, Richmond 11 Boroondara Lions 0, Nunawading City Ringwood City

Boys East 13 A: South Melbourne 1 Riversdale 1, Oakleigh 3 Mooroolbark 0, North Caulfield Richmond , Glen Waverley Doncaster Rovers , Boronia Nunawading City

Boys East 13 B: Knox City Bye , Glen Eira 0 FC Bulleen Lions 9, Richmond 1 Clayton 0, Avondale Heights Ashburton

Boys East 13 C: Springvale City 0 Manningham 4, North Caulfield 3 Boronia 0, Sherbrooke Rangers Brunswick City , Caulfield Utd 1 Boroondara Lions 4, FC Bulleen Lions 2 Ringwood City 1

Boys East 13 D: Ashburton 2 Brandon Park 1, Glen Eira 2 Richmond 2, Riversdale 2 Glen Waverley 1, Knox Utd Eastern Lions , Monash City Clifton Hill

Boys East 13 E: Knox Utd Oakleigh , Waverley Wanderers Croydon City Arrows , Ringwood City 1 Manningham 1, Mooroolbark 0 Chelsea 3

Boys East 13 F: Richmond 4 North Caulfield 0, Stonnington City 3 Eastern Lions 1, Whitehorse 3 South Springvale 0, Rowville Eagles 1 Heidelberg Stars 7

Boys East 12 A: Oakleigh 0 FC Bulleen Lions 2, North Caulfield 0 Richmond 4, Box Hill Inter 5 Riversdale 0, Knox City 0 Monash City 2, Ashburton 1 South Melbourne 6

Boys East 12 B: Bye Doncaster Rovers , Glen Waverley 3 Manningham 2, Springvale City Box Hill Inter , Richmond 3 Clayton 0, FC Bulleen Lions 5 Oakleigh 0

Boys East 12 C: North Caulfield 0 Richmond 3, Sherbrooke Rangers 1 Lalor 1, South Springvale 17 Mooroolbark 0, Doncaster Rovers 5 Glen Eira 0, Glen Waverley 1 FC Bulleen Lions 2

Boys East 12 D: Boronia Eastern Lions , Riversdale Nunawading City , Boroondara Lions 1 Croydon City Arrows 0, Avondale Heights Ashburton

Boys East 12 E: Doncaster Rovers Bye , North Caulfield 1 Ashburton 0, Eastern Lions Whitehorse , Richmond 1 Boroondara Lions 4, Croydon City Arrows Ringwood City

Boys East 12 F: Bye Boronia , Ashburton Clifton Hill , Glen Waverley 1 Knox City 3, Doncaster Rovers Croydon City Arrows

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Green: Ashburton 8 Caulfield Utd 1, Richmond 6 FC Bulleen Lions 0, Doncaster Rovers 3 Oakleigh 1, Croydon City Arrows 4 Box Hill Inter 0

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Orange: Oakleigh Bye , Hampton Knox Utd , North Caulfield 0 Riversdale 0, Mooroolbark 1 Whitehorse 3, Richmond 0 South Melbourne 7

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Yellow: South Yarra 1 Manningham 1, Monash City 6 Ashburton 0, Eastern Lions 0 Box Hill Inter 0, FC Bulleen Lions 10 Stonnington City 0

Boys East 11 Joeys Blue: Croydon City Arrows 0 FC Bulleen Lions 4, Boronia 0 Glen Waverley 5, Sherbrooke Rangers 6 Whitehorse 0, Richmond 1 Doncaster Rovers 2, Knox Utd 0 East Bentleigh 3

Boys East 11 Joeys Orange: Mooroolbark Bye , North Caulfield Richmond , Sherbrooke Rangers 3 Whitehorse 0, Knox City 4 Waverley Wanderers 2, Riversdale 0 Ringwood City 3

Boys East 11 Joeys Red: Ashburton 4 East Bentleigh 0, North Caulfield 1 Richmond 0, Knox City 3 Whitehorse 0, Glen Waverley 1 Boroondara Lions 1, Doncaster Rovers Oakleigh

Boys North 16 A: Bye Heidelberg Stars , Coburg Utd 0 Northcote City 8, Moreland Utd 6 Epping City 0, Bundoora Utd 0 Essendon Royals 0, Brunswick Zebras Whittlesea Zebras

Boys North 16 B: Mitchell Rangers DOC United FC , Bundoora Utd 2 Sunbury Utd 1, Moreland Wolves Hume Utd , Watsonia Heights 1 Light Utd 6, Brunswick Zebras Essendon Utd

Boys North 15 A: Moreland City 0 Fawkner 3, Bundoora Utd 2 Essendon Royals 3, Epping City 4 Heidelberg Utd 0, Brunswick Zebras Lalor Utd , Whittlesea Zebras 5 Light Utd 1

Boys North 15 B: Moreland Utd 5 Brunswick City 0, Epping City 0 Diamond Valley Utd 5, Watsonia Heights 3 Bundoora Utd 5, Northcote City 2 Heidelberg Stars 0, Plenty Valley Lions 6 Moreland City 1

Boys North 14 A: Preston Lions 0 Fawkner 3, Bundoora Utd 6 Sunbury Utd 3, Light Utd 4 Essendon Royals 0, Greenvale Utd 2 Epping City 0, Eltham North Clifton Hill

Boys North 14 B: Meadow Park 2 Banyule City 2, Fawkner Whittlesea Zebras , Watsonia Heights 7 Epping City 0, Moreland City 5 Bundoora Utd 0, Brunswick Zebras Northcote City

Boys North 14 C: Coburg Utd Essendon Royals , Alphington 10 Eltham North 0, Moreland Wolves North City Lions , Brunswick Zebras FC City Central , Bye Banyule City

Boys North 13 A: Bye North City Lions , Essendon Royals 1 Brunswick City 1, Epping City 11 Reservoir Strikers 0, Diamond Valley Utd 2 Moreland City 0, Whittlesea Zebras 2 Preston Lions 1

Boys North 13 B: Clifton Hill 0 Fawkner 4, Hume Utd Essendon Utd , Watsonia Heights 1 Epping City 3, Lalor Utd Eltham North , Alphington 2 Brunswick Zebras 3

Boys North 12 A: Eltham North Epping City , Bundoora Utd 2 Essendon Royals 0, Coburg Utd 11 Hume Utd 0, Brunswick City 0 Light Utd 2, Whittlesea Zebras 8 Meadow Park 0

Boys North 12 B: Bye Light Utd , Coburg Utd Brunswick Zebras , Fawkner Moreland City , Greenvale Utd 2 Moreland Wolves 0, Preston Lions 2 Northcote City 1

Boys North 12 C: Moreland Utd 3 Banyule City 1, Hume Utd Essendon Royals , Watsonia Heights 4 Epping City 0, Sunbury Utd 0 Diamond Valley Utd 5, Alphington 2 Heidelberg Utd 2

Boys North 12 D: North Lions 9 North City Lions 1, DOC United FC Mitchell Rangers , Pascoe Vale 1 Plenty Valley Lions 3, Eltham North Bundoora Utd , Brunswick Zebras Broadmeadows Utd

Boys North 11 Kangaroos Yellow: Fawkner Lalor Utd , Epping City 1 Brunswick City 1, Diamond Valley Utd 2 Meadow Park 2, Brunswick Zebras Bundoora Utd , Heidelberg Stars Sunbury Utd

Boys North 11 Joeys Blue: Bye Light Utd , Moreland Utd 11 Banyule City 0, Bundoora Utd 4 Mitchell Rangers 0, Fawkner 0 Moreland City 1, Avondale Heights Northcote City

Boys North 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Orange: Alphington 1 3 Heidelberg Utd 1, Essendon Royals 2 9 Eltham North 2 0, Watsonia Heights 0 Alphington 2 0, Yarraville Essendon Royals 1 , Greenvale Utd 0 Eltham North 1 0

Boys North 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Red: Clifton Hill 1 North City Lions 4, Upfield Brunswick Zebras , Watsonia Heights 0 Hume Utd 3, Whittlesea Zebras 2 Moreland Wolves 1, St. Albans Saints Plenty Valley Lions

Boys West 16 A: Ballarat Academy Of Soccer Bye , Sunbury Utd 2 Laverton Park 2, Williamstown 0 South Yarra 2, Keilor Park 2 Green Gully 1, Hoppers Crossing Gisborne

Boys West 16 B: Bye Sydenham Park , Altona City 2 Brimbank 0, Western Eagles 6 South Yarra 0, Melton 0 Werribee City 6, Altona East 1 Reservoir Strikers 1

Boys West 15 A: Sunshine Georgies Bye , Altona East 10 Brimbank City 0, Geelong 0 GRFA 1, Keilor Park 0 Green Gully 0, Sydenham Park Werribee City

Boys West 15 B North/West: Altona City 3 Bacchus Marsh JSC 0, Keilor Wolves 14 Carlton Youth 0, Lalor Utd Port Melbourne , Hoppers Crossing Williamstown

Boys West 14 A: Sunshine Heights 2 South Yarra 1, Hoppers Crossing GRFA , Altona East 4 Sunshine Georgies 2, Sydenham Park Werribee City , North Geelong Warriors 3 St. Albans 1

Boys West 14 B: Bye Western Eagles , Keilor Park 7 North Sunshine Eagles 0, Melton 3 Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 1, Green Gully 4 Brimbank 0

Boys West 14 C North/West: Sunbury Utd Hoppers Crossing , Williamstown 4 Preston Lions 0, Gisborne 7 DOC United FC 0, Avondale Heights Yarraville , Melton 1 Wyndham Olympic 2

Boys West 13 A: Altona City 2 BASL 0, Gisborne 4 Laverton Park 3, Geelong 1 Sunshine Georgies 2, Keilor Park 0 Green Gully 4, Cairnlea 3 Williamstown 4

Boys West 13 B: Sydenham Park Maribyrnong Greens , Spring Hills 1 Brimbank 1, Melton 8 Brimbank City 0, Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 13 Williamstown 0, Hoppers Crossing Werribee City

Boys West 13 C: Port Melbourne 1 Wyndham Olympic 3, Brunswick Zebras Bundoora Utd , Bacchus Marsh JSC 3 FC Birarrung JFC 0, AVA Seagulls 7 Mitchell Rangers 2, Upfield 1 Flemington Eagles 3, Melbourne Lions 5 Maribyrnong United 2

Boys West 12 A: Williamstown 0 Gisborne 2, Sunshine Georgies 1 Keilor Park 2, Melbourne Knights 1 GRFA 0, South Yarra 0 Green Gully 4, Hoppers Crossing Altona City

Boys West 12 B: Brimbank Altona Magic , Melton 1 South Yarra 2, Melbourne Knights 1 St. Albans 2, Keilor Park 1 Green Gully 1, Cairnlea 4 Sydenham Park 1

Boys West 12 C: Brimbank Keilor Wolves , Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 8 Hoppers Crossing 0, Altona City 4 Gisborne 0, Laverton Park Flemington Eagles , Cairnlea 0 Wyndham Olympic 2, Williamstown 0 Spring Hills 0

Boys West 11 Kangaroos Green: Williamstown 3 Altona East 0, Sunshine Georgies 2 Keilor Park 5, Melbourne Knights 1 Altona City 1, South Yarra 3 Green Gully 1, Hoppers Crossing Werribee City

Boys West 11 Joeys Red: Port Melbourne 5 Hoppers Crossing 1, Green Gully 10 Bacchus Marsh JSC 0, Spring Hills 0 Altona City 6, Laverton Park 1 Gisborne 2, Cairnlea 3 Werribee City 0

Boys West 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Blue: Sunshine Heights 1 Maribyrnong Greens 0, Sydenham Park Brimbank City , Western Eagles 0 Brimbank 6, Keilor Park 1 Green Gully 4, Williamstown 1 Westvale 2

Girls Metro 18 A: Bye Westgate , Ashburton 11 Croydon City Arrows 1, Brimbank 0 Boroondara Eagles JFC 1, Gisborne 3 Whitehorse 0, Mooroolbark Langwarrin , Beaumaris 1 Berwick City 2

Girls Metro 16 A: Langwarrin Richmond , GRFA 3 Brighton 3, Meadow Park 5 Berwick City 2, Keilor Park 2 Whitehorse 1, Brandon Park 1 Brunswick Zebras 5

Girls Metro 16 B: Baxter Bye , Doncaster Rovers 1 Brunswick City 2, Boroondara Lions Glen Eira , Sandringham City Keilor Wolves , Glen Waverley 1 Diamond Valley Utd 3

Girls N/W 16 C: Greenvale Utd 2 Sydenham Park 1, Sunbury Utd 2 Altona City 4, Nunawading City North City Lions , Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 6 Gisborne 1, Pascoe Vale 5 Watsonia Heights 1

Girls S/E 16 C: Mooroolbark Sherbrooke Rangers 1 , Endeavour Utd Seaford Utd , East Bentleigh 14 Sherbrooke Rangers 2 0, Boronia Mornington , FC Bulleen Lions Hampton Park Utd

Girls Metro 15 A: Bundoora Utd 2 Dandenong Thunder 1, Sandringham City 6 Brunswick Zebras 0, Brighton 5 Hoppers Crossing 0

Girls Metro 15 B: Altona City 2 Langwarrin 2, Richmond 2 Casey Comets 1, East Bentleigh 1 Carrum Utd 2, Baxter 4 Caulfield Utd 3, Peninsula Strikers JFC Eltham North

Girls Metro 15 C: Chelsea 0 Whittlesea Zebras 1, Sandringham City 3 Eastern Lions 1, Dandenong City 1 Brighton 7, Croydon City Arrows 0 Watsonia Heights 1, Beaumaris 0 Glen Waverley 4

Girls N/W 15 D: Cairnlea Bye , Bundoora Utd 4 Epping City 0, Brunswick Zebras Brimbank , Keilor Park 8 Altona East 0

Girls S/E 15 D: Bye Carrum Utd , North Caulfield 1 Knox City 2, Boroondara Lions 9 Heatherton Utd 0, Richmond 0 Springvale White Eagles 4, Glen Eira 4 Noble Park 2

Girls Metro 14 A: Sandringham City 2 Brighton 0, Sherbrooke Rangers 1 Alphington 2, Bye North Caulfield , Boroondara Lions Ashburton , Essendon Royals 2 Croydon City Arrows 0

Girls Metro 14 B: Port Melbourne 0 Diamond Valley Utd 3, Boroondara Lions 5 Glen Waverley 0, Glen Eira 0 South Melbourne 2, Pascoe Vale 4 Box Hill Inter 0, Brunswick Zebras Berwick City

Girls N/W 14 C: DOC United FC Sunbury Utd , South Yarra Watsonia Heights , Keilor Park 0 Kensington JGSC 1, FC Bulleen Lions Doncaster Rovers , Whittlesea Zebras 1 Eltham North 1

Girls S/E 14 C: Eastern Lions 0 Baxter 1, Sherbrooke Rangers Brighton , Boronia Brandon Park , North Caulfield 0 Peninsula Strikers JFC 5

Girls Metro 13 A: Bye Carrum Utd , Richmond 0 Ashburton 0, Boroondara Lions 1 Knox City 0, Croydon City Arrows Brunswick Zebras , Keilor Park 2 Sherbrooke Rangers 0

Girls Metro 13 B: Boronia 1 Brighton 0, Whitehorse 4 Hoppers Crossing 0, Eltham North North Caulfield , Beaumaris 2 Glen Waverley 1, Monash City 3 Nunawading City 0

Girls Metro 13 C: Sandringham City 0 Baxter 4, Brighton 0 Peninsula Strikers JFC 4, Oakleigh 1 Glen Eira 4, Banyule City 7 Casey Panthers 0

Girls Metro 13 D: Glen Waverley 0 Bundoora Utd 2, Boronia 4 Mornington 1, Heidelberg Utd 2 Keilor Wolves 1, Carrum Utd Sydenham Park

Girls Metro 12 A: Richmond 1 Berwick City 0, Beaumaris 0 Carrum Utd 3, Keilor Park 1 Ashburton 2, Boroondara Lions 1 Brighton 1, Dandenong Thunder 1 Hampton 0

Girls Metro 12 B: Sandringham City St. Albans , Glen Eira 0 North Caulfield 7, Richmond 3 Oakleigh 1, Eltham North Sherbrooke Rangers , Ashburton 1 Brighton 0

Girls N/W 12 C: Bye Sunbury Utd , Brunswick Zebras 1 Kensington JGSC , Green Gully 2 Diamond Valley Utd 0, Banyule City 4 Brunswick Zebras 2 1, Essendon Royals 5 Watsonia Heights 0

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Girls S/E 12 C: Glen Waverley Bye , FC Bulleen Lions Clifton Hill

Girls Metro 11 A: Boroondara Lions 3 Croydon City Arrows 0, Stonnington City 0 North Caulfield 2, Ringwood City 0 South Yarra 1, Ashburton 9 Sherbrooke Rangers 0, East Bentleigh Brighton , Pascoe Vale Bye

Girls Metro 11 B: Carrum Utd 0 Sandringham City 2 1, Berwick City Bye , Casey Panthers 2 Hampton 3, Peninsula Strikers JFC 5 North Caulfield 0, Ashburton 1 Rosebud 2

Boys 18 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen Lio	18	16	0	2	58	10	48
South Melbou	19	14	2	3	75	27	44
Fawkner	18	13	1	4	56	18	40
Springvale Wh	19	9	5	5	33	20	32
Essendon Roy	19	9	4	6	51	21	31
Green Gully	19	7	6	6	32	34	27
Brunswick City	18	8	2	8	31	42	26
Kingston City	19	6	5	8	31	47	23
Keilor Park	19	5	2	12	17	33	17
Brimbank City	18	3	4	11	25	55	13
South Springv	19	4	1	14	19	57	13
Casey Comets	19	1	2	16	19	83	5

Boys S/E 16 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Melbou	15	11	2	2	44	20	35
Doncaster Rov	15	9	3	3	32	15	30
Endeavour	15	8	4	3	37	18	28
Springvale Whi	15	8	4	3	40	22	28
FC Bulleen Li	16	6	6	4	30	25	24
Chelsea	14	6	5	3	29	19	23
Berwick City	15	5	2	8	24	32	17
Oakleigh	15	4	2	9	31	30	14
Box Hill Inter	16	2	2	12	8	55	8
Eastern Lions	16	0	4	12	11	50	4

Boys S/E 15 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen Lio	15	11	2	2	44	14	35
Nunawading Cit	13	10	1	2	37	12	31
North Caulfiel	13	9	1	3	25	17	28
Mornington	14	8	3	3	29	15	27
Monash City	14	8	2	4	42	19	26
Dandenong	14	3	5	6	16	18	14
Oakleigh	13	2	1	10	7	38	7
Berwick City	14	2	0	12	17	47	6
Dandenong T	14	1	1	12	7	44	4

Boys S/E 14 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen	16	12	3	1	34	8	39
Richmond	16	7	6	3	28	19	27
Beaumaris	15	7	4	4	24	16	25
Monash City	16	5	8	3	20	20	23
South Melbou	15	6	4	5	20	12	22
Sandringham	16	6	4	6	20	22	22
Peninsula Strike	16	6	3	7	19	24	21
Oakleigh	15	4	6	5	18	28	18
GSL	15	2	6	7	11	17	12
Box Hill Inter	16	0	2	14	7	35	2

Boys S/E 13 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Melbou	15	15	0	0	63	3	45
Monash City	15	12	2	1	29	6	38
FC Bulleen Li	16	8	4	4	39	17	28
Berwick Ci	15	7	3	5	22	18	24
Croydon City	15	7	1	7	25	29	22
GSL	15	4	5	6	31	39	17
N.T.C	14	3	6	5	18	24	15
Sandringha	15	1	7	7	19	28	10
Brighton	16	2	2	12	22	51	8
Box Hill Inter	16	1	2	13	8	61	5

Boys N/W 16 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Keilor Park	14	9	2	3	39	17	29
Fawkner	13	9	2	2	27	19	29
Green Gully	13	9	1	3	31	23	28
Coburg Utd	13	8	2	3	32	19	26
Preston Lions	14	7	2	5	25	13	23
Hume Utd	13	4	2	7	20	27	14
Melbourne Kn	14	4	1	9	22	32	13
Cairnlea	14	2	1	11	20	28	7
Sunshine Geo	14	1	3	10	13	51	6

Boys N/W 15 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Green Gully	14	10	3	1	50	13	33
Essendon Roy	14	10	1	3	37	13	31
Fawkner	12	7	2	3	21	12	23
Preston Lions	14	6	4	4	25	23	22
Sunshine He	13	4	3	6	15	19	15
Keilor Park	13	5	0	8	16	28	15
Altona Magi	14	4	3	7	14	29	15
Melbourne	14	3	4	7	16	21	13
Ballarat	14	2	0	12	12	48	6

Boys N/W 14 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brimbank	15	13	2	0	55	8	41
Coburg Utd	16	11	2	3	33	16	35
Green Gully	16	9	3	4	31	20	30
Brunswick Ci	15	8	2	5	29	16	26
Essendon Roya	15	5	4	6	31	25	19
Keilor Park	16	5	4	7	21	25	19
Melbourne Kni	16	4	5	7	12	22	17
Cairnlea	16	4	1	11	15	34	13
Whittlesea Ze	15	3	3	9	12	43	12
Hume Utd	16	2	2	12	13	43	8

Boys N/W 13 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Ro	16	11	5	0	30	11	38
Green Gully	16	9	6	1	34	12	33
Melbourne Kni	16	7	5	4	28	15	26
Bundoora Utd	16	7	4	5	21	23	25
Keilor Park	16	7	3	6	25	23	24
Brunswick Ze	16	5	3	8	22	22	18
Altona City	16	5	2	9	13	26	17
North City Lion	15	4	3	8	24	33	15
GRFA	15	3	3	9	16	30	12
Light Utd	16	2	4	10	11	29	10

Boys Metro 18 Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Altona City	16	11	4	1	32	8	37
Frankston Pin	16	11	3	2	49	15	36
Manningham	15	11	2	2	32	14	35
Richmond	16	10	4	2	41	14	34
Cairnlea	14	7	1	6	36	28	22
Doncaster R	14	4	3	7	21	28	15
Altona East	14	5	0	9	15	37	15
Stonnington	14	4	1	9	25	32	13
Eastern Lions	16	1	2	13	10	49	5
Knox City	15	0	2	13	12	48	2

Boys Metro 18 Orange

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	15	12	3	0	56	15	39
Langwarrin	15	12	1	2	81	24	37
Berwick City	16	10	2	4	44	23	32
Doveton	16	10	1	5	62	36	31
Baxter	15	9	0	6	66	40	27
Mornington	16	8	0	8	49	44	24
Keysborough	15	5	2	8	28	47	17
Endeavour	14	2	2	10	21	68	8
Sandringham	16	2	1	13	18	64	7
Beaumaris	16	0	2	14	22	86	2

Boys Metro 18 Purple

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Richmond	16	14	1	1	70	15	43
Whittlesea Z	16	12	1	3	41	22	37
Oakleigh	15	10	3	2	43	26	33
Heidelberg Ut	15	6	2	7	39	46	20
Preston Lions	14	6	2	6	28	38	20
DOC United F	16	5	2	9	30	43	17
Bentleigh Gre	14	4	3	7	30	31	15
Altona Magic	15	3	5	7	24	33	14
Sunshine Geor	15	3	3	9	24	35	12
Westgate	16	1	2	13	18	58	5

Boys Metro 18 Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Melbourne P	16	15	1	0	70	14	46
Western Eagle	16	11	1	4	53	25	34
Light Utd	15	10	2	3	44	17	32
Bundoora Utd	16	8	4	4	55	38	28
Northcote City	16	8	1	7	50	36	25
Lalor Utd	15	6	0	9	41	50	18
Ballarat & Distr	16	5	2	9	33	51	17
Essendon Roya	15	3	3	9	27	45	12
Westvale	15	3	2	10	20	57	11
Brunswick Zeb	16	0	2	14	12	72	2

Boys Metro 18 Yellow

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brandon Park	15	14	0	1	56	17	42
North Caulfield	14	11	1	2	53	19	34
Manningham	15	10	2	3	71	18	32
Boroondara Li	16	9	0	7	42	34	27
Doncaster Ro	14	8	2	4	43	29	26
Sherbrooke R	14	6	2	6	44	37	20
Darebin Lege	14	4	2	8	25	39	14
East Bentleigh	16	4	1	11	19	70	13
Ashburton	16	4	0	12	29	51	12
Mooroolbark	16	0	0	16	8	76	0

Boys South 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	16	12	0	4	49	17	36
Southern Stars	16	11	1	4	46	26	34
Sandringham	15	11	1	3	38	20	34
Dandenong Ci	15	8	2	5	54	31	26
Chelsea	15	7	0	8	39	42	21
Mornington	15	6	1	8	34	32	19
Langwarrin	16	4	1	11	24	45	13
Berwick City	16	0	0	16	22	93	0

Boys South 16 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doveton	12	11	1	0	76	15	34
Baxter	11	8	1	2	39	16	25
Langwarrin	12	8	1	3	37	22	25
Brighton	12	4	1	7	22	45	13
Bentleigh Gre	11	3	2	6	20	29	11
Casey Comets	12	3	0	9	21	44	9
Beaumaris	12	1	0	11	22	66	3

Boys South 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Langwarrin	13	12	0	1	38	8	36
Brighton	14	10	0	4	33	18	30
Doveton	14	9	2	3	33	14	29
Chelsea	14	9	0	5	43	28	27
Berwick City	14	6	1	7	28	29	19
East Bentleigh	15	5	3	7	23	31	18
Beaumaris	14	5	2	7	30	25	17
Casey Comets	14	2	1	11	17	43	7
Springvale Whi	14	0	1	13	10	59	1

Boys South 15 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Sandringham	15	13	0	2	55	17	39
Brighton	15	11	1	3	46	15	34
Peninsula Str	14	8	3	3	54	34	27
Langwarrin	15	6	1	8	30	29	19
Berwick City	14	4	3	7	20	21	15
Carrum Utd	14	2	3	9	16	43	9
Seaford Utd	14	3	0	11	16	70	9
Hampton Park	7	1	1	5	17	25	4

Boys South 15 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Endeavour	13	11	2	0	41	9	35
Baxter 1	15	10	3	2	58	20	33
Doveton	14	5	5	4	30	19	20
Phillip Island	15	5	4	6	45	36	19
Beaumaris	14	5	4	5	25	27	19
Sandringham	14	4	3	7	14	38	15
Baxter 2	13	4	2	7	21	31	14
East Bentleigh	14	3	3	8	11	32	12
Brighton	14	3	0	11	24	57	9

Boys South 14 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Berwick City	16	15	1	0	88	10	46
Brighton	16	9	4	3	54	13	31
Bentleigh Gree	16	8	4	4	52	16	28
Hampton Park	16	8	3	5	46	41	27
Harrisfield Hur	15	8	2	5	32	25	26
Hampton	15	6	3	6	20	35	21
Chelsea	15	3	6	6	22	31	15
Mornington	16	3	3	10	28	60	12
Beaumaris	15	2	2	11	17	57	8
Keysborough	16	2	0	14	21	92	6

Boys South 14 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Endeavour Ut	15	15	0	0	78	6	45
Sandringham	16	13	2	1	35	7	41
Bentleigh Gre	16	12	0	4	57	21	36
Langwarrin	15	9	0	6	34	16	27
Chelsea	16	5	3	8	29	40	18
Berwick City	16	5	1	10	31	51	16
Mornington	16	4	1	11	11	30	13
Hampton	16	4	0	12	18	50	12
Brighton	15	3	2	10	10	36	11
Baxter	15	3	1	11	16	62	10

Boys South 14 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
East Bentlei	13	13	0	0	67	14	39
Rosebud	15	9	3	3	49	21	30
Casey Comets	13	8	3	2	57	19	27
Seaford Utd	15	8	3	4	44	24	27
Langwarrin	14	8	1	5	30	21	25
Peninsula Stri	13	4	2	7	17	35	14
Sandringham Ci	14	2	1	11	19	63	7
Hampton Park	13	2	0	11	7	61	6
Brighton	14	1	1	12	18	50	4

Boys South 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Dandenong	14	10	2	2	46	14	32
Mornington	13	10	1	2	35	19	31
Berwick City	14	9	2	3	32	13	29
Keysborou	14	7	2	5	27	14	23
Endeavour Utd	13	7	1	5	23	17	22
Hampton Park U	14	6	1	7	26	20	19
Dandenong City	14	5	1	8	22	21	16
Langwarrin	14	2	0	12	16	52	6
Hampton	14	1	0	13	12	69	3

Boys South 13 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Bentleigh	15	13	0	2	64	17	39
East Bentleigh	16	12	1	3	45	15	37
Doveton	16	10	1	5	40	19	31
Brighton	15	8	2	5	25	24	26
Beaumaris	16	8	1	7	34	33	25
Mornington	16	5	3	8	24	23	18
Sandringham	16	2	0	14	12	68	6
Baxter	16	1	0	15	14	59	3

Boys South 13 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	14	13	0	1	50	7	39
Springvale	16	10	1	5	47	29	31
Peninsula Stri	16	9	1	6	45	15	28
Carrum Utd	16	9	1	6	38	39	28
Casey Comets	14	8	0	6	36	30	24
Rosebud	16	5	2	9	42	54	17
Beaumaris	16	5	0	11	21	49	15
Mornington	16	0	1	15	11	67	1

Boys South 13 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Berwick Ci	16	13	0	3	51	18	39
Endeavour	16	11	3	2	44	15	36
Langwarrin	15	8	6	1	31	12	30
Brighton	16	8	4	4	28	15	28
Lyndale Utd	15	6	4	5	43	36	22
Frankston	16	3	2	11	16	39	11
Peninsula Strik	16	1	3	12	7	41	6
East Bentleigh	16	1	2	13	5	49	5

Boys South 12 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Easte	15	15	0	0	84	6	45
Brighton	16	12	1	3	44	19	37
Sandring	16	11	2	3	53	18	35
Mornington	16	10	1	5	34	24	31
GSL	15	6	3	6	24	28	21
Berwick City	15	6	2	7	50	34	20
Hampton	15	3	4	8	12	44	13
Bentleigh Gr	15	1	5	9	13	49	8
Peninsula Strik	16	1	3	12	7	54	6
Langwarrin	15	0	3	12	9	54	3

Boys South 12 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Melbourne P	16	13	2	1	75	7	41
Casey Comet	16	12	2	2	45	9	38
Berwick City	16	10	2	4	28	25	32
Beaumaris	15	10	1	4	41	11	31
Sandringham	15	7	5	3	40	13	26
Hampton Park	16	7	1	8	37	32	22
Southern Stars	15	7	1	7	27	27	22
Langwarrin	16	2	1	13	12	64	7
Bentleigh G	15	2	0	13	14	78	6
Seaford Utd	16	0	1	15	7	60	1

Boys South 12 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doveton	13	13	0	0	107	2	39
Brighton	13	11	1	1	55	6	34
Hampton Pa	14	9	1	4	31	27	28
Beaumaris	14	8	1	5	48	26	25
Mornington	15	4	5	6	27	41	17
Hampton	14	3	3	8	15	43	12
East Bentlei	14	2	3	9	15	44	9
Sandrigh	14	2	3	9	8	41	9
Langwarrin	13	0	3	10	4	80	3

Boys South 12 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Dandenong T	16	16	0	0	101	6	48
Doveton	16	9	4	3	38	17	31
Lyndale Utd	16	9	3	4	39	25	30
Keysborough	16	8	3	5	34	34	27
East Bentleigh	16	7	4	5	34	29	25
Berwick Cit	16	6	3	7	23	38	21
Carrum Utd	16	4	6	6	17	30	18
Beaumaris	15	4	3	8	15	33	15
Brighton	15	1	4	10	14	44	7
Baxter	16	0	0	16	1	60	0

Boys South 12 E

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Casey Panther	16	14	1	1	56	11	43
Harrisfield Hu	16	12	1	3	36	8	37
Baxter (Weste	16	11	1	4	72	25	34
Beaumaris	16	10	1	5	51	23	31
Casey Come	16	9	1	6	41	29	28
Sandringham	15	6	2	7	22	25	20
Brighton	15	4	1	10	19	42	13
Rosebud	14	2	4	8	10	46	10
Seaford Utd	16	2	1	13	9	67	7
Peninsula Str	14	0	1	13	9	49	1

Boys South 11 Kangaroos Green

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	15	13	1	1	88	7	40
Mornington	14	9	4	1	51	8	31
South Easter	14	9	3	2	51	14	30
Beaumaris	14	8	3	3	50	10	27
Bentleigh G	15	7	4	4	42	15	25
Dandenong	14	6	1	7	29	35	19
Endeavour Utd	14	3	0	11	12	57	9
Peninsula St	14	1	0	13	7	77	3
Kingston City	14	0	0	14	1	108	0

Boys South 11 Kangaroos Yellow

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Springvale Wh	16	15	1	0	80	7	46
Berwick City	16	13	0	3	53	15	39
GSL	15	11	1	3	35	11	34
Langwarrin	15	8	2	5	34	24	26
Southern Star	16	7	2	7	21	14	23
Sandringham	16	6	2	8	31	38	20
Brandon Park	16	5	4	7	25	39	19
Hampton	16	3	3	10	13	35	12
Aspendale	16	2	1	13	16	54	7
Chelsea	16	1	0	15	5	76	3

Boys South 11 Kangaroos/Joeys Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Mornington	16	15	1	0	69	5	46
Beaumaris	16	12	3	1	95	7	39
Brighton 1	16	11	2	3	60	8	35
Brighton 2	15	8	1	6	31	17	25
Sandringham Ci	15	3	2	10	10	39	11
Hampton	16	3	2	11	8	55	11
Aspendale	15	2	1	12	6	93	7
Keysborough	15	2	0	13	14	69	6

Boys South 11 Joeys Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Hampton Pa	16	15	0	1	59	6	45
Beaumaris	16	10	1	5	35	13	31
Berwick City	16	10	1	5	23	24	31
Brighton	15	7	4	4	21	25	25
Baxter	16	6	3	7	7	12	21
Peninsula Stri	16	4	1	11	20	27	13
Sandringham	16	3	3	10	14	29	12
Carrum Utd	15	1	1	13	7	50	4

Boys South 11 Joeys Orange

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doveton	16	14	1	1	62	8	43
Casey Comets	16	11	4	1	44	10	37
Berwick City	16	8	5	3	40	11	29
Mornington	16	7	5	4	22	14	26
Beaumaris	15	3	6	6	11	21	15
Seaford Utd	15	3	2	10	15	43	11
Bentleigh Gre	15	2	2	11	9	53	8
Brighton	15	0	3	12	5	48	3

Boys East 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whitehorse	15	11	0	4	35	17	33
Nunawading	14	10	1	3	29	16	31
Manningham	15	10	1	4	32	20	31
Riversdale	15	8	2	5	34	19	26
Sherbrook	15	7	0	8	35	32	21
FC Bulleen Lio	16	7	0	9	31	32	21
Doncaster Rov	14	7	0	7	27	30	21
Oakleigh	15	4	1	10	28	47	13
Richmond	15	4	0	11	31	49	12
Clayton	14	3	1	10	15	35	10

Boys East 16 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Casey Comet	16	12	1	3	76	34	37
North Caulfield	14	12	1	1	61	19	37
Boronia	15	10	3	2	64	21	33
Glen Waverle	15	10	1	4	49	33	31
Caulfield Utd	16	7	1	8	63	42	22
Hampton Park	16	3	2	11	52	64	11
Manningham	16	3	1	12	25	64	10
Knox City	16	0	0	16	17	130	0

Boys East 16 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Eastern Lions	16	15	0	1	77	18	45
Mooroolbark	15	12	1	2	46	14	37
Ashburton	16	10	1	5	54	29	31
South Spri	16	9	1	6	60	29	28
Whitehorse	16	8	3	5	55	29	27
Hampton	16	8	1	7	57	31	25
Mooroolbark	16	3	3	10	22	64	12
Croydon City	15	2	3	10	28	61	9
Clayton	15	2	1	12	13	67	7
Glen Eira	15	1	2	12	14	84	5

Boys East 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Melb	16	14	1	1	48	9	43
Boronia	16	12	2	2	47	11	38
FC Bulleen Lio	15	8	4	3	47	11	28
Brandon Park	16	8	3	5	47	26	27
Richmond	16	8	2	6	35	16	26
Eastern Lions	15	6	3	6	42	24	21
Doncaster	15	4	5	6	41	41	17
Glen Waverley	16	2	5	9	18	41	11
Manningham	15	3	1	11	19	43	10
Clayton	16	0	0	16	2	124	0

Boys East 15 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Oakleigh	15	12	3	0	43	10	39
FC Bulleen Lio	16	11	3	2	52	18	36
Richm	0 16	10	2	4	51	27	32
Doncaster Rov	15	7	2	6	21	26	23
Riversdale	15	6	4	5	37	21	22
Caulfield Utd	16	5	3	8	19	35	18
North Caulfield	15	3	5	7	32	39	14
Boronia	14	3	3	8	17	46	12
Manningham	16	2	4	10	17	38	10
Sherbrooke	16	3	1	12	16	45	10

Boys East 15 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whitehorse	14	12	0	2	47	6	36
Brandon Park	14	9	4	1	28	6	31
Ashburton 1	13	9	1	3	58	10	28
Ringwood City	12	9	0	3	29	19	27
Mooroolbark	14	6	1	7	23	30	19
North Caul	12	3	3	6	18	34	12
Glen Waverley	13	2	2	9	19	40	8
Ashburton 2	14	2	1	11	9	51	7
Boroondara L	14	1	2	11	13	48	5

Boys East 14 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Knox City	16	15	1	0	97	7	46
Whitehorse	16	11	2	3	50	10	35
FC Bulleen L	15	9	2	4	29	19	29
Doncaster Rov	14	8	4	2	34	11	28
North Caulfie	15	8	1	6	36	42	25
Casey Comet	16	5	3	8	22	34	18
Glen Waverl	16	4	2	10	19	49	14
Brandon Park	16	3	1	12	11	47	10
Manningham	16	3	1	12	20	62	10
Waverley Wa	16	1	5	10	10	47	8

Boys East 14 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Stonnington	16	14	2	0	48	6	44
Riversdale	16	11	3	2	41	19	36
Ringwood City	14	11	0	3	30	17	33
Knox City	15	6	4	5	31	25	22
Noble Park	16	6	3	7	36	36	21
Eastern Lions	16	6	2	8	30	32	20
Doncaster R	15	5	3	7	28	23	18
Glen Waverley	16	3	3	10	22	41	12
North Caulfie	15	3	1	11	19	52	10
Croydon City	15	0	3	12	7	41	3

Boys East 14 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Melbourne Ph	15	15	0	0	129	5	45
Whitehorse	16	13	1	2	82	11	40
Richmond	16	11	0	5	57	21	33
Boronia	15	8	1	6	40	32	25
Mooroolbark	14	5	0	9	30	49	15
Heidelberg	15	5	0	10	17	84	15
Doncaster Ro	14	1	1	12	10	68	4
Caulfield U	15	0	1	14	7	102	1

Boys East 14 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Glen Eira	14	11	2	1	55	18	35
Nunawading	13	10	3	0	50	11	33
Richmond	14	10	1	3	68	13	31
Riversdale	15	8	1	6	44	25	25
Stonningto	14	6	2	6	32	30	20
Boroondara	14	4	3	7	34	36	15
East Bentleigh	14	4	0	10	20	64	12
Ringwood Ci	13	3	1	9	23	37	10
Croydon City	15	0	1	14	7	99	1

Boys East 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Richmond	15	14	1	0	58	5	43
Oakleigh	15	12	2	1	44	12	38
Glen Wav	15	8	3	4	27	19	27
North Caulfie	14	6	5	3	24	19	23
Doncaster	15	6	1	8	24	29	19
Riversdale	15	4	5	6	23	33	17
South Melbour	15	4	3	8	17	24	15
Mooroolbark	16	3	2	11	16	34	11
Boronia	15	3	1	11	16	41	10
Nunawading Cit	13	3	0	10	10	43	9

Boys East 13 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen L	14	10	4	0	40	5	34
Richmond	14	10	2	2	37	7	32
Knox City	14	9	0	5	36	11	27
Ashburton	13	6	2	5	23	20	20
Clayton	13	3	3	7	12	17	12
Avondale H	13	3	1	9	17	24	10
Glen Eira	13	0	0	13	5	86	0

Boys East 13 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Manning	15	11	2	2	41	9	35
Boroondar	16	11	1	4	41	15	34
Ringwood	15	11	1	3	34	12	34
FC Bulle	16	9	2	5	32	16	29
North C	15	7	1	7	30	18	22
Sherbrooke	15	7	0	8	28	28	21
Caulfield Utd	16	5	1	10	28	35	16
Brunswick C	14	4	2	8	24	36	14
Boronia	16	4	1	11	17	34	13
Springvale	16	2	1	13	14	86	7

Boys East 13 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Knox Utd	15	12	2	1	75	16	38
Brandon Pa	16	12	1	3	46	7	37
Eastern	15	11	2	2	35	6	35
Clifton Hill	15	10	1	4	38	17	31
Glen Eir	16	6	3	7	26	22	21
Richmond	16	6	2	8	21	36	20
Riversdale	16	5	2	9	16	36	17
Ashburton	16	5	1	10	20	51	16
Monash City	15	2	2	11	15	50	8
Glen Waverle	16	1	0	15	11	62	3

Boys East 13 E

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Waverley Wan	15	11	3	1	51	10	36
Croydon Cit	15	11	3	1	34	9	36
Chelsea	16	9	3	4	43	13	30
Ringwood	15	5	6	4	16	20	21
Knox Utd	15	6	1	8	25	29	19
Oakleigh	14	5	3	6	25	25	18
Manning	16	2	5	9	22	38	11
Mooroolbark	16	0	0	16	6	78	0

Boys East 13 F

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whitehorse	14	14	0	0	67	6	42
Heidelberg	16	13	0	3	70	8	39
Richmond	16	10	2	4	39	23	32
South Springv	15	6	1	8	23	42	19
Stonnington	16	5	2	9	22	39	17
Rowville E	16	4	5	7	24	45	17
North Caulf	15	2	3	10	12	38	9
Eastern Lion	16	0	3	13	8	64	3

Boys East 12 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Mel	15	15	0	0	51	3	45
Box Hill Inte	16	12	1	3	42	8	37
Richmond	16	9	3	4	54	22	30
FC Bulleen	16	9	2	5	21	13	29
Knox City	16	8	2	6	22	17	26
Monash Cit	15	7	0	8	22	23	21
North Caulfi	15	5	3	7	17	21	18
Riversdale	16	5	0	11	17	34	15
Ashburton	16	1	1	14	2	66	4
Oakleigh	15	0	2	13	4	45	2

Boys East 12 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doncaster	13	11	2	0	59	6	35
Box Hill Inter	14	11	2	1	45	11	35
FC Bulleen L	13	9	1	3	36	13	28
Richmond	14	9	0	5	39	27	27
Glen Wav	14	5	1	8	19	28	16
Clayton	15	4	2	9	11	35	14
Oakleigh	14	3	2	9	17	38	11
Springvale Ci	13	2	1	10	16	51	7
Manningha	14	1	3	10	11	44	6

Boys East 12 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doncaster	16	14	2	0	72	5	44
South Spri	16	10	4	2	57	13	34
Richmond	16	10	3	3	47	12	33
Sherbrooke	16	9	4	3	38	19	31
North Caulfield	15	7	1	7	34	18	22
FC Bulleen L	16	6	3	7	30	29	21
Lalor	16	5	4	7	31	36	19
Glen Eira	15	3	4	8	23	40	13
Glen Waverl	16	2	1	13	15	54	7
Mooroolbark	16	0	0	16	4	125	0

Boys East 12 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Nunawading	15	12	3	0	29	9	39
Boroondara	16	8	5	3	24	20	29
Avondale H	15	7	2	6	37	27	23
Boronia	15	7	2	6	24	23	23
Eastern Lions	15	6	4	5	30	29	22
Croydon City	16	6	3	7	28	28	21
Riversdale	15	3	3	9	11	22	12
Ashburton	15	1	0	14	9	34	3

Boys East 12 E

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whitehorse	13	11	1	1	43	14	34
Boroondara Li	13	11	0	2	68	13	33
Croydon City	14	7	5	2	29	14	26
Eastern Lions	13	5	5	3	16	14	20
Richmond	14	5	3	6	13	23	18
North Caulfie	13	5	1	7	17	21	16
Doncaster R	13	3	2	8	16	33	11
Ashburton	15	3	2	10	7	44	11
Ringwood Cit	12	0	1	11	6	39	1

Boys East 12 F

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Clifton Hill	13	13	0	0	89	0	39
Knox City	14	11	0	3	55	16	33
Glen Waver	14	6	2	6	34	34	20
Doncaster Rov	12	4	1	7	13	41	13
Ashburton	12	3	2	7	19	56	11
Croydon City	12	3	1	8	14	47	10
Boronia	13	0	4	9	10	40	4

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Green

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doncaster Ro	15	12	3	0	45	9	39
Richmond	15	12	3	0	34	3	39
Croydon Cit	16	10	0	6	30	19	30
Oakleigh	15	8	3	4	28	18	27
FC Bulleen	16	4	2	10	11	28	14
Box Hill Inter	16	3	4	9	15	29	13
Ashburton	16	3	2	11	16	28	11
Caulfield Utd	15	1	1	13	4	49	4

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Orange

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Melbourne	14	12	1	1	62	6	37
Hampton	13	11	1	1	41	3	34
Whitehorse	14	10	2	2	35	8	32
Knox Utd	14	5	3	6	22	19	18
Oakleigh	13	5	2	6	22	21	17
North Caulfield	13	5	2	6	14	21	17
Richmond	15	4	1	10	11	51	13
Riversdale	14	3	1	10	7	42	10
Mooroolbark	14	0	1	13	5	48	1

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Yellow

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Monash City	16	15	1	0	88	3	46
Box Hill Inter	16	13	2	1	69	5	41
FC Bulleen Lions	16	12	2	2	60	7	38
Eastern Lions	16	10	1	5	44	19	31
Ashburton	16	5	1	10	16	38	16
Boroondara Lions	15	5	0	10	22	50	15
South Yarra	16	4	3	9	12	45	15
Manningham	16	3	4	9	17	42	13
Doncaster Rovers	15	2	4	9	9	45	10
Stonnington City	16	0	2	14	1	84	2

Boys East 11 Joeys Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
East Bentleigh	16	16	0	0	87	0	48
Richmond	16	14	0	2	46	6	42
Doncaster Rovers	16	13	0	3	33	14	39
Knox Utd	16	7	3	6	25	17	24
FC Bulleen Lions	16	6	3	7	31	28	21
Sherbrooke Rangers	16	6	3	7	19	28	21
Croydon City Arrows	16	4	3	9	27	41	15
Whitehorse	16	3	5	8	17	34	14
Glen Waverley	16	2	1	13	10	30	7
Boronia	16	0	0	16	2	99	0

Boys East 11 Joeys Orange

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Sherbrooke Rangers	14	13	1	0	68	2	40
Ringwood City	13	11	2	0	60	9	35
Whitehorse	14	8	2	4	29	13	26
Knox City	14	6	4	4	39	15	22
Waverley Wanderers	14	7	1	6	48	26	22
North Caulfield	12	6	1	5	18	13	19
Riversdale	15	4	1	10	18	50	13
Richmond	14	1	0	13	10	83	3
Mooroolbark	14	0	0	14	3	82	0

Boys East 11 Joeys Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Knox City	16	16	0	0	76	4	48
Glen Waverley	16	9	4	3	26	14	31
Whitehorse	16	7	5	4	20	16	26
Boroondara Lions	16	7	4	5	22	22	25
Doncaster Rovers	15	7	2	6	20	24	23
Ashburton	16	5	4	7	16	21	19
Oakleigh	14	4	5	5	19	26	17
North Caulfield	15	4	0	11	10	28	12
Richmond	16	3	2	11	10	35	11
East Bentleigh	16	2	2	12	17	46	8

Boys North 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Royals	14	11	1	2	43	12	34
Northcote City	15	9	2	4	40	18	29
Bundoora Utd	13	9	2	2	39	20	29
Heidelberg Stars	14	7	3	4	52	26	24
Moreland Utd	13	6	2	5	39	27	20
Whittlesea Zebras	14	5	4	5	27	34	19
Brunswick Zebras	13	4	0	9	30	43	12
Epping City	14	2	1	11	10	41	7
Coburg Utd	14	1	1	12	12	71	4

Boys North 16 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Light Utd	15	14	1	0	129	10	43
Essendon Utd	14	11	0	3	67	16	33
Hume Utd	15	10	3	2	68	19	33
DOC United FC	14	8	1	5	51	30	25
Watsonia Heights	16	7	4	5	44	32	25
Moreland Wolves	14	8	1	5	37	30	25
Bundoora Utd	15	6	2	7	37	33	20
Mitchell Rangers	15	2	1	12	16	92	7
Sunbury Utd	16	1	1	14	11	100	4
Brunswick Zebras	14	0	0	14	15	113	0

Boys North 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Royals	16	12	4	0	74	20	40
Fawkner	16	11	2	3	55	28	35
Whittlesea Zebras	16	10	2	4	57	26	32
Bundoora Utd	15	8	2	5	28	21	26
Epping City	15	7	4	4	36	24	25

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Moreland City	16	6	3	7	32	19	21
Brunswick Zebras	15	5	1	9	27	30	16
Lalor Utd	15	4	2	9	21	39	14
Light Utd	14	4	0	10	20	64	12
Heidelberg Utd	16	0	0	16	13	92	0

Boys North 15 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Northcote City	16	13	1	2	58	19	40
Moreland Utd	16	13	0	3	55	14	39
Diamond Valley Utd	16	12	1	3	55	24	37
Bundoora Utd	15	11	0	4	58	25	33
Plenty Valley Lions	16	9	0	7	57	38	27
Brunswick City	15	7	3	5	41	39	24
Epping City	16	3	1	12	26	62	10
Moreland City	16	3	1	12	22	78	10
Watsonia Heights	16	1	4	11	22	47	7
Heidelberg Stars	16	1	1	14	17	65	4

Boys North 14 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Epping City	15	11	1	3	45	19	34
Preston Lions	15	10	1	4	31	16	31
Light Utd	16	9	4	3	36	22	31
Fawkner	15	9	3	3	32	13	30
Bundoora Utd	15	8	4	3	33	14	27
Sunbury Utd	16	5	5	6	24	25	20
Greenvale Utd	15	4	5	6	21	21	16
Essendon Royals	16	4	3	9	25	45	15
Eltham North	14	2	1	11	17	33	7
Clifton Hill	15	0	1	14	8	64	1

Boys North 14 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Moreland City	16	13	3	0	61	11	42
Brunswick Zebras	14	12	1	1	66	11	37
Meadow Park	16	7	6	3	36	18	27
Watsonia Heights	16	7	3	6	43	27	24
Whittlesea Zebras	15	7	0	8	50	36	21
Northcote City	15	6	2	7	26	28	20
Bundoora Utd	16	5	3	8	15	30	18
Banyule City	16	5	2	9	32	36	17
Fawkner	14	4	2	8	21	41	14
Epping City	16	0	0	16	4	116	0

Boys North 14 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC City Central	13	12	1	0	81	4	37
North City Lions	12	8	3	1	53	14	27
Moreland Wolves	13	9	0	4	58	30	27
Coburg Utd	14	7	3	4	60	29	24
Brunswick Zebras	14	7	2	5	41	33	23
Essendon Royals	13	5	2	6	26	31	17
Alphington	14	4	3	7	44	34	15
Banyule City	14	1	1	12	12	73	4
Eltham North	15	0	1	14	5	132	1

Boys North 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whittlesea Zebras	13	12	0	1	58	5	36
Epping City	14	9	3	2	39	10	30
Brunswick City	14	8	4	2	28	11	28
Essendon Royals	13	5	4	4	27	16	19
North City Lions	14	5	4	5	23	18	19
Moreland City	14	5	1	8	16	21	16
Preston Lions	13	4	2	7	21	20	14
Diamond Valley Utd	14	3	4	7	27	29	13
Reservoir Strikers	15	0	0	15	1	110	0

Boys North 13 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Fawkner	16	12	4	0	66	1	40
Brunswick Zebras	16	11	3	2	44	12	36
Hume Utd	14	8	5	1	31	5	29
Clifton Hill	16	7	5	4	35	23	26
Alphington	16	7	5	4	32	25	26
Epping City	16	6	2	8	26	24	20
Essendon Utd	15	4	4	7	20	35	16
Eltham North	14	3	3	8	16	43	12
Lalor Utd	15	2	3	10	9	46	9
Watsonia Heights	16	0	0	16	6	71	0

Boys North 12 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Epping City	15	12	2	1	38	8	38
Coburg Utd	14	12	1	1	78	10	37
Light Utd	16	11	2	3	41	14	35
Whittlesea Zebras	15	11	1	3	38	15	34
Brunswick City	15	8	2	5	21	17	26
Essendon Royals	16	4	3	9	22	37	15
Hume Utd	16	4	1	11	19	47	13
Bundoora Utd	15	3	2	10	18	45	11
Meadow Park	16	2	1	13	24	66	7
Eltham North	14	1	1	12	10	50	4

Boys North 12 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brunswick Zebras	13	12	1	0	69	12	37
Greenvale Utd	13	9	1	3	32	21	28
Preston Lions	13	8	0	5	34	16	24
Light Utd	13	6	4	3	25	20	22
Northcote City	13	6	2	5	26	23	20
Moreland City	14	5	3	6	26	25	18
Moreland Wolves	15	4	3	8	17	30	15
Coburg Utd	13	2	0	11	7	48	6
Fawkner	13	1	0	12	11	52	3

Boys North 12 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Moreland Utd	16	14	1	1	62	11	43
Essendon Royals	15	11	3	1	49	17	36
Diamond Valley Utd	15	10	2	3	36	11	32
Hume Utd	15	6	3	6	35	21	21
Alphington	16	6	3	7	34	36	21
Heidelberg Utd	16	5	5	6	21	29	20
Banyule City	15	6	1	8	21	32	19
Watsonia Heights	16	4	2	10	22	38	14
Epping City	16	4	2	10	18	36	14
Sunbury Utd	16	0	2	14	10	77	2

Boys North 12 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
North Lions	16	15	0	1	74	14	45
Plenty Valley Lions	16	14	1	1	65	13	43
DOC United FC	15	10	1	4	54	24	31
Brunswick Zebras	15	9	0	6	43	24	27
Pascoe Vale	16	8	1	7	51	37	25
North City Lions	16	4	3	9	21	51	15
Bundoora Utd	15	4	2	9	16	31	14
Mitchell Rangers	15	4	2	9	21	47	14
Broadmeadows Utd	15	3	2	10	10	36	11
Eltham North	15	0	0	15	8	86	0

Boys North 11 Kangaroos Yellow

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Fawkner	15	11	2	2	37	8	35
Brunswick Zebras	14	11	1	2	54	16	34
Sunbury Utd	15	9	4	2	31	12	31
Lalor Utd	15	8	3	4	48	16	27

Bundoora Utd	15	7	5	3	40	18	26
Brunswick City	15	5	4	6	31	19	19
Epping City	16	4	5	7	19	26	17
Heidelberg Stars	14	3	1	10	15	34	10
Diamond Valley Utd	15	2	2	11	5	54	8
Meadow Park	16	1	1	14	11	88	4

Boys North 11 Joeys Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Northcote City	14	12	0	2	54	6	36
Light Utd	14	11	1	2	58	12	34
Moreland Utd	14	10	2	2	45	6	32
Bundoora Utd	14	8	3	3	31	13	27
Fawkner	14	6	2	6	31	21	20
Moreland City	14	5	2	7	20	27	17
Mitchell Rangers	14	1	3	10	9	60	6
Avondale Heights	12	1	1	10	5	44	4
Banyule City	14	0	2	12	6	70	2

Boys North 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Orange

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Royals 1	15	15	0	0	129	1	45
Alphington 1	16	12	2	2	46	22	38
Yarraville	15	10	1	4	55	17	31
Essendon Royals 2	16	8	3	5	49	23	27
Eltham North 1	16	7	4	5	35	22	25
Greenvale Utd	15	6	4	5	35	24	22
Heidelberg Utd	16	6	0	10	22	47	18
Alphington 2	16	4	1	11	13	66	13
Watsonia Heights	16	2	1	13	7	79	7
Eltham North 2	15	0	0	15	5	95	0

Boys North 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whittlesea Zebras	16	16	0	0	78	2	48
North City Lions	16	12	1	3	51	12	37
St. Albans Saints	15	10	4	1	48	6	34
Plenty Valley Lions	15	6	4	5	31	30	22
Moreland Wolves	16	5	3	8	22	34	18
Brunswick Zebras	15	5	2	8	15	28	17
Hume Utd	16	4	2	10	11	35	14
Upfield	15	4	2	9	17	47	14
Clifton Hill	16	2	4	10	17	46	10
Watsonia Heights	16	2	2	12	12	62	8

Boys West 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Yarra	14	12	2	0	42	8	38
Keilor Park	14	9	2	3	38	16	29
Hoppers Crossing	12	9	0	3	45	18	27
Green Gully	13	7	2	4	35	16	23
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	14	7	2	5	30	27	23
Williamstown	15	6	0	9	23	40	18
Gisborne	13	2	2	9	19	33	8
Laverton Park	14	2	2	10	15	36	8
Sunbury Utd	15	1	2	12	9	62	5

Boys West 16 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Werribee City	14	12	0	2	57	18	36
Brimbank	16	11	1	4	55	28	34
Altona City	15	11	1	3	36	14	34
Western Eagles	15	10	2	3	66	17	32
Reservoir Strikers	14	5	4	5	23	25	19
Altona East	15	5	3	7	32	39	18
South Yarra	16	4	0	12	36	54	12
Sydenham Park	15	4	0	11	25	57	12
Melton	15	4	1	10	27	46	11
Melbourne Lions	9	0	0	9	9	68	0

Boys West 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Altona East	14	13	1	0	52	5	40
Sunshine Georgies	14	11	2	1	52	7	35
GRFA	14	8	1	5	39	18	25
Geelong	14	8	0	6	23	18	24
Werribee City	13	6	2	5	20	23	20
Green Gully	14	6	1	7	34	26	19
Brimbank City	15	6	0	9	22	48	18
Keilor Park	14	1	1	12	10	60	4
Sydenham Park	14	0	0	14	8	55	0

Boys West 15 B North/West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Keilor Wolves	15	14	0	1	95	15	42
Williamstown	15	14	0	1	93	13	42
Port Melbourne	15	9	0	6	81	39	27
Hoppers Crossing	14	8	0	6	68	30	24
Altona City	15	7	1	7	47	42	22
Carlton Youth	15	3	1	11	45	76	10
Lalor Utd	15	3	1	11	20	93	10
Bacchus Marsh JSC	16	0	1	15	6	147	1

Boys West 14 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Altona East	16	14	1	1	46	13	43
Sunshine Heights	16	11	2	3	25	11	35
Werribee City	15	11	0	4	49	27	33
North Geelong Warriors	15	10	3	2	35	13	33
Sydenham Park	15	7	2	6	40	24	23
Sunshine Georgies	16	6	0	10	32	36	18
Hoppers Crossing	14	4	0	10	24	41	12
South Yarra	15	4	0	11	16	41	12
GRFA	15	3	2	10	22	29	11
St. Albans	15	1	0	14	11	65	3

Boys West 14 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Keilor Park	14	11	1	2	41	9	34
Green Gully	14	10	2	2	48	9	32
Melton	14	7	2	5	25	19	23
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	12	7	1	4	31	19	22
Western Eagles	13	5	0	8	22	34	15
Brimbank	13	4	0	9	14	27	12
North Sunshine Eagles	14	0	0	14	8	72	0

Boys West 14 C North/West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Gisborne	16	12	4	0	52	7	40
Williamstown	16	11	5	0	62	14	38
Yarraville	15	9	3	3	60	28	30
Avondale Heights	14	9	2	3	51	20	29
Preston Lions	16	8	2	6	35	31	26
DOC United FC	15	5	0	10	33	53	15
Hoppers Crossing	15	5	0	10	34	59	15
Wyndham Olympic	15	4	2	9	27	38	14
Melton	16	2	3	11	15	70	9
Sunbury Utd	14	0	1	13	10	59	1

Boys West 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Gisborne	16	15	0	1	45	12	45
Altona City	16	13	0	3	39	13	39
Sunshine Georgies	15	11	1	3	25	16	34
BASL	15	10	0	5	28	15	30
Laverton Park	16	6	3	7	26	28	21
Geelong	16	6	2	8	21	25	20
Green Gully	16	4	3	9	19	29	15
Williamstown	16	4	1	11	17	28	13

Keilor Park	16	1	4	11	13	38	7
Cairnlea	16	1	2	13	15	44	5

Boys West 13 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Melton	16	13	1	2	49	13	40
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	15	11	3	1	62	13	36
Brimbank	15	9	2	4	35	16	29
Brimbank City	16	7	2	7	29	31	23
Maribyrnong Greens	14	6	2	6	26	19	20
Sydenham Park	14	4	4	6	33	33	16
Werribee City	15	4	2	9	22	45	14
Williamstown	15	4	2	9	20	44	14
Hoppers Crossing	13	3	2	8	27	36	11
Spring Hills	15	2	2	11	22	75	8

Boys West 13 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
AVA Seagulls	16	14	1	1	67	11	43
Bundoora Utd	15	11	2	2	54	17	35
Melbourne Lions	16	10	3	3	56	21	33
Wyndham Olympic	16	10	2	4	44	25	32
Maribyrnong United	16	9	3	4	51	42	30
FC Birarrung JFC	16	7	2	7	37	31	23
Flemington Eagles	16	6	3	7	35	36	21
Mitchell Rangers	16	5	1	10	36	57	16
Upfield	16	4	0	12	29	64	12
Port Melbourne	16	3	2	11	31	45	11
Bacchus Marsh JSC	16	3	1	12	22	73	10
Brunswick Zebras	15	2	2	11	15	55	8

Boys West 12 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Melbourne Knights	16	13	2	1	40	9	41
GRFA	15	9	4	2	22	7	31
Green Gully	15	8	3	4	32	11	27
Gisborne	15	6	5	4	25	20	23
Keilor Park	16	6	5	5	19	20	23
Sunshine Georgies	16	6	2	8	25	29	20
Williamstown	16	5	4	7	14	21	19
Hoppers Crossing	14	5	1	8	22	23	16
Altona City	15	4	3	8	12	22	15
South Yarra	16	0	1	15	6	55	1

Boys West 12 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Cairnlea	16	15	1	0	80	7	46
Altona Magic	15	11	1	3	31	13	34
Green Gully	16	10	3	3	43	12	33
Brimbank	15	8	0	7	28	22	24
St. Albans	16	6	5	5	24	37	23
Keilor Park	16	6	4	6	31	31	22
Sydenham Park	16	3	5	8	17	28	14
South Yarra	16	3	3	10	17	47	12
Melbourne Knights	16	3	2	11	22	47	11
Melton	16	0	4	12	13	62	4

Boys West 12 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	15	14	1	0	94	6	43
Keilor Wolves	15	8	5	2	42	17	29
Cairnlea	15	8	4	3	44	9	28
Altona City	16	8	4	4	43	30	28
Brimbank	15	8	4	3	35	25	28
Wyndham Olympic	16	7	1	8	33	28	22
Williamstown	15	6	3	6	27	22	21
Laverton Park	14	5	5	4	30	14	20
Flemington Eagles	14	6	1	7	26	25	19
Spring Hills	15	4	1	10	32	54	13
Gisborne	16	1	0	15	8	99	3
Hoppers Crossing	14	0	1	13	8	93	1

Boys West 11 Kangaroos Green

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Yarra	16	15	0	1	50	7	45
Melbourne Knights	16	10	3	3	53	13	33
Altona City	16	10	2	4	36	14	32
Keilor Park	16	9	3	4	30	13	30
Green Gully	15	9	2	4	45	14	29
Williamstown	16	6	1	9	19	35	19
Hoppers Crossing	14	5	3	6	19	17	18
Werribee City	15	3	1	11	16	33	10
Sunshine Georgies	16	3	1	12	17	49	10
Altona East	16	0	0	16	2	92	0

Boys West 11 Joeys Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Port Melbourne	16	14	2	0	65	6	44
Green Gully	16	12	1	3	69	13	37
Altona City	16	12	0	4	67	14	36
Laverton Park	16	11	1	4	50	12	34
Gisborne	16	11	0	5	46	23	33
Hoppers Crossing	16	5	0	11	27	52	15
Bacchus Marsh JSC	16	4	2	10	23	62	14
Cairnlea	16	2	3	11	9	43	9
Spring Hills	16	2	2	12	14	77	8
Werribee City	16	1	1	14	7	75	4

Boys West 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brimbank	16	12	2	2	56	14	38
Green Gully	16	11	3	2	52	8	36
Sunshine Heights	16	11	3	2	31	4	36
Brimbank City	15	11	2	2	63	14	35
Keilor Park	16	7	2	7	34	25	23
Maribyrnong Greens	16	6	4	6	47	22	22
Sydenham Park	15	4	3	8	26	37	15
Western Eagles	16	3	3	10	28	46	12
Westvale	16	2	2	12	9	68	8
Williamstown	16	0	0	16	2	110	0

Girls Metro 18 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Ashburton	14	14	0	0	110	6	42
Westgate	14	10	0	4	82	18	30
Berwick City	14	9	2	3	52	21	29
Beaumaris	14	9	0	5	64	26	27
Langwarrin	14	8	2	4	67	27	26
Boroondara Eagles JFC	12	8	0	4	50	21	24
Brimbank	13	6	0	7	25	54	18
Mooroolbark	14	5	0	9	28	43	15
Gisborne	14	3	0	11	14	62	9
Whitehorse	15	1	0	14	8	87	3
Croydon City Arrows	14	1	0	13	11	146	3

Girls Metro 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brunswick Zebras	16	11	4	1	41	12	37
Brighton	15	9	2	4	37	20	29
GRFA	15	8	4	3	53	21	28
Richmond	15	8	4	3	35	14	28
Meadow Park	16	8	4	4	40	23	28
Whitehorse	16	6	3	7	29	33	21
Keilor Park	16	6	2	8	33	29	20
Berwick City	15	4	3	8	24	42	15
Brandon Park	15	3	2	10	28	46	11
Langwarrin	15	0	0	15	3	83	0

Girls Metro 16 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Diamond Valley Utd	14	13	0	1	42	6	39
Keilor Wolves	14	9	3	2	38	19	30
Boroondara Lions	15	9	2	4	35	19	29
Glen Waverley	15	8	0	7	39	35	24
Baxter	15	7	2	6	31	16	23
Doncaster Rovers	15	5	2	8	24	34	17
Glen Eira	13	4	2	7	15	24	14
Ringwood City	9	4	0	5	22	21	12
Sandringham City	14	3	1	10	10	38	10
Brunswick City	14	1	0	13	6	50	3

Girls N/W 16 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Ballarat Academy Of Soccer	15	14	1	0	80	5	43
Altona City	16	13	0	3	97	21	39
Pascoe Vale	15	10	2	3	51	21	32
North City Lions	15	9	3	3	43	18	30
Sunbury Utd	16	9	0	7	41	25	27
Gisborne	15	5	3	7	26	46	18
Watsonia Heights	15	3	3	9	12	41	12
Greenvale Utd	16	3	2	11	10	73	11
Nunawading City	15	1	2	12	9	58	5
Sydenham Park	16	1	2	13	9	70	5

Girls S/E 16 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
East Bentleigh	16	13	2	1	64	9	41
Hampton Park Utd	15	11	2	2	68	8	35
Sherbrooke Rangers 1	15	11	0	4	65	18	33
Endeavour Utd	15	9	2	4	41	17	29
Mornington	15	6	3	6	45	29	21
FC Bulleen Lions	15	5	3	7	29	33	18
Boronia	15	4	4	7	16	33	16
Mooroolbark	15	4	3	8	34	42	15
Sherbrooke Rangers 2	16	2	2	12	9	82	8
Seaford Utd	15	0	1	14	5	105	1

Girls Metro 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Sandringham City	16	14	0	2	72	10	42
Doncaster Rovers	15	13	0	2	65	7	39
Bundoora Utd	16	10	3	3	41	22	33
Brighton	16	8	0	8	36	35	24
Dandenong Thunder	16	7	2	7	46	36	23
Croydon City Arrows	15	6	1	8	18	36	19
Brunswick Zebras	15	1	0	14	7	61	3
Hoppers Crossing	15	0	0	15	2	80	0

Girls Metro 15 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Casey Comets	16	13	0	3	43	7	39
Richmond	16	10	2	4	28	18	32
East Bentleigh	16	9	2	5	33	15	29
Baxter	15	8	2	5	31	25	26
Eltham North	14	7	4	3	30	16	25
Carrum Utd	16	6	5	5	35	22	23
Peninsula Strikers JFC	15	6	3	6	30	20	21
Caulfield Utd	16	5	2	9	23	29	17
Langwarrin	16	2	3	11	17	43	9
Altona City	16	0	1	15	10	85	1

Girls Metro 15 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whittlesea Zebras	16	14	1	1	53	10	43
Sandringham City	16	11	1	4	44	25	34
Watsonia Heights	16	10	1	5	30	15	31
Glen Waverley	16	9	3	4	37	23	30
Brighton	15	9	2	4	32	20	29
Chelsea	15	5	2	8	26	29	17
Beaumaris	16	5	1	10	20	42	16
Eastern Lions	16	4	1	11	14	30	13
Dandenong City	16	2	3	11	28	66	9
Croydon City Arrows	16	1	3	12	23	47	6

Girls N/W 15 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Keilor Park	14	11	0	3	50	17	33
Brimbank	12	10	0	2	52	16	30
Cairnlea	12	9	0	3	29	18	27
Brunswick Zebras	13	7	1	5	26	21	22
Bundoora Utd	13	6	1	6	33	29	19
Epping City	14	1	0	13	13	51	3
Altona East	14	1	0	13	6	57	3

Girls S/E 15 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Springvale White Eagles	14	11	1	2	49	14	34
North Caulfield	14	9	2	3	34	14	29
Noble Park	13	8	1	4	47	16	25
Glen Eira	13	7	1	5	25	29	22
Carrum Utd	13	6	2	5	17	27	20
Richmond	15	6	0	9	17	29	18
Boroondara Lions	14	5	1	8	37	29	16
Knox City	14	5	1	8	15	32	16
Heatherton Utd	14	0	1	13	8	59	1

Girls Metro 14 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Ashburton	13	13	0	0	50	7	39
Essendon Royals	15	12	0	3	43	13	36
Boroondara Lions	12	10	1	1	37	2	31
North Caulfield	13	7	1	5	27	17	22
Alphington	14	5	3	6	16	26	18
Croydon City Arrows	15	5	1	9	18	35	16
Sandringham City	14	2	4	8	15	33	10
Sherbrooke Rangers	14	2	1	11	7	33	7
Brighton	14	0	1	13	4	51	1

Girls Metro 14 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Diamond Valley Utd	15	15	0	0	95	6	45
Pascoe Vale	15	13	0	2	69	13	39
Brunswick Zebras	15	7	4	4	27	27	25
Berwick City	15	7	3	5	29	26	24
Boroondara Lions	16	6	3	7	23	39	21
Port Melbourne	16	5	4	7	19	29	19
Glen Eira	16	4	4	8	18	48	16
South Melbourne	16	3	2	11	16	53	11
Glen Waverley	16	2	3	11	13	39	9
Box Hill Inter	14	2	3	9	13	42	9

Girls N/W 14 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen Lions	15	11	3	1	44	7	36
Keilor Park	16	10	4	2	51	11	34
Kensington JGSC	16	9	3	4	32	16	30
Doncaster Rovers	14	9	2	3	39	23	29
Sunbury Utd	15	8	2	5	41	27	26
South Yarra	15	6	5	4	26	15	23
Watsonia Heights	15	3	2	10	13	35	11
Eltham North	16	2	5	9	16	39	11
Whittlesea Zebras	16	1	4	11	9	34	7
DOC United FC	14	1	2	11	13	77	5

Girls S/E 14 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Peninsula Strikers JFC	15	9	6	0	32	3	33
Baxter	15	9	3	3	21	13	30
Sherbrooke Rangers	15	7	6	2	19	10	27
Brandon Park	15	5	3	7	19	25	18
Boronia	15	3	8	4	12	16	17
Eastern Lions	16	2	7	7	8	16	13
Brighton	15	1	8	6	11	19	11
North Caulfield	14	3	1	10	10	30	10

Girls Metro 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Keilor Park	14	12	1	1	32	3	37
Carrum Utd	14	7	6	1	17	4	27
Knox City	13	7	4	2	26	6	25
Sherbrooke Rangers	14	7	4	3	22	11	25
Boroondara Lions	13	2	6	5	8	15	12
Ashburton	15	1	8	6	9	19	11
Richmond	15	2	5	8	8	25	11
Brunswick Zebras	13	2	3	8	8	32	9
Croydon City Arrows	13	1	5	7	6	21	8

Girls Metro 13 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Boronia	16	14	2	0	43	3	44
Monash City	16	9	3	4	32	16	30
Brighton	16	8	4	4	29	10	28
Whitehorse	15	8	3	4	30	10	27
Glen Waverley	16	7	5	4	20	14	26
Eltham North	15	6	2	7	26	25	20
Hoppers Crossing	16	6	1	9	21	31	19
Nunawading City	16	5	2	9	12	20	17
Beaumaris	16	2	0	14	10	52	6
North Caulfield	14	2	0	12	2	44	6

Girls Metro 13 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Banyule City	16	12	3	1	45	8	39
Glen Eira	16	13	0	3	39	15	39
Baxter	15	10	2	3	34	10	32
Oakleigh	15	9	2	4	34	12	29
Sandringham City	16	5	3	8	13	35	18
Casey Panthers	16	4	1	11	19	50	13
Peninsula Strikers JFC	16	2	2	12	14	31	8
Brighton	16	0	3	13	6	43	3

Girls Metro 13 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Bundoora Utd	16	13	3	0	47	5	42
Sydenham Park	15	13	1	1	82	5	40
Glen Waverley	16	8	2	6	34	21	26
Heidelberg Utd	16	8	1	7	29	31	25
Mornington	16	6	1	9	22	49	19
Carrum Utd	15	5	2	8	15	26	17
Keilor Wolves	16	1	4	11	8	41	7
Boronia	16	1	2	13	7	66	5

Girls Metro 12 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Keilor Park	16	13	2	1	37	8	41
Richmond	16	10	5	1	37	5	35
Ashburton	16	10	3	3	35	13	33
Berwick City	16	8	5	3	35	12	29
Brighton	16	6	5	5	25	20	23
Dandenong Thunder	16	6	5	5	24	24	23
Boroondara Lions	16	5	4	7	13	21	19
Hampton	16	3	2	11	8	27	11
Beaumaris	16	2	1	13	4	41	7
Carrum Utd	16	1	0	15	8	55	3

Girls Metro 12 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Sandringham City	14	12	2	0	58	5	38
North Caulfield	15	12	1	2	29	8	37
Oakleigh	15	8	1	6	27	13	25
Ashburton	14	6	6	2	13	5	24
St. Albans	15	7	2	6	21	20	23
Eltham North	15	3	7	5	13	19	16
Sherbrooke Rangers	15	4	2	9	10	24	14
Richmond	16	4	2	10	18	37	14
Brighton	15	3	3	9	17	27	12
Glen Eira	16	3	0	13	15	63	9

Girls N/W 12 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Royals	14	13	1	0	29	0	40
Brunswick Zebras 1	13	8	3	2	24	16	27
Watsonia Heights	14	7	3	4	14	13	24
Banyule City	15	6	3	6	20	16	21
Green Gully	14	4	7	3	18	15	19
Sunbury Utd	14	4	4	6	8	11	16
Diamond Valley Utd	14	3	3	8	5	16	12
Brunswick Zebras 2	15	3	1	11	13	31	10
Kensington JGSC	13	1	3	9	2	15	6

Girls S/E 12 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen Lions	11	9	2	0	26	4	29
Croydon City Arrows	13	6	3	4	38	14	21
Box Hill Inter	13	5	5	3	29	14	20
Clifton Hill	12	2	2	8	9	36	8
Glen Waverley	13	2	2	9	6	40	8

Girls Metro 11 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	13	13	0	0	67	0	39
North Caulfield	14	12	0	2	42	4	36
Ashburton	14	9	1	4	36	10	28
Boroondara Lions	15	9	1	5	38	14	28
Pascoe Vale	14	7	3	4	21	9	24
East Bentleigh	13	7	1	5	28	12	22
Stonnington City	14	5	2	7	11	21	17
South Yarra	14	5	0	9	16	50	15
Croydon City Arrows	15	3	1	11	12	38	10
Sherbrooke Rangers	15	1	4	10	9	66	7
Ringwood City	15	0	1	14	3	59	1

Girls Metro 11 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Peninsula Strikers JFC	15	11	3	1	34	10	36
Berwick City	14	11	1	2	50	10	34
Sandringham City 2	15	10	2	3	35	7	32
Sandringham City 1	14	9	3	2	43	7	30
Rosebud	14	9	1	4	30	13	28
Brighton	13	7	3	3	18	7	24
Ashburton	14	3	3	8	6	22	12
Carrum Utd	14	2	1	11	8	38	7
Casey Panthers	14	2	1	11	9	44	7
North Caulfield	13	2	0	11	6	38	6
Hampton	14	1	2	11	6	49	5

By Nic Townsend

EPL SEASON PREVIEW 2008/09

Premiership

Of the usual top four **Manchester United** easily look the best-placed team to take the title again. They've managed to hang onto Cristiano Ronaldo and keep the core nucleus of the team together. Some players (Giggs, Scholes, Van Der Sar) may start to slow down but they've got plenty of youngsters (Anderson, Nani) who will only improve while most of the squad are in their prime. Admittedly they sometimes look a little weak up front with Wayne Rooney often struggling to score goals but if Sir Alex Ferguson manages to get Dimitar Berbatov they'll be unbeatable.

If **Chelsea** are to match them they'll need to start applying the pressure from the first match. Luiz Felipe Scolari will not have the luxury of settling into the English game despite this being the first time he has coached at club level in Europe. On paper the Blues are formidable and arguably it was only Avram Grant's tactical inexperience that cost them the Premiership and Champions League.

Scolari's expertise could make the difference but if it doesn't he wouldn't be the first high-profile foreigner to fail in the UK.

Man U and Chelsea will also have to contend with a strengthen **Liverpool** who have once again spent big over the summer. If Robbie Keane gels well with Fernando Torres then they could well have the most prolific scoring partnership in the competition, which will surely push the Reds up the table.

Arsenal will also be strong contenders having only finished four points behind Man U last season. But as was the case last season their undoing is likely to be their lack of depth. Their first 11 can beat any team in the world but beyond that the standard falls. They've lost key players and as of yet haven't signed any ready replacements. Aaron Ramsay and Samir Nasri are good investments for the future but what the Gunners really need are seasoned experienced players ready to slot straight into the first team.

Fifth Spot.

Everton have enjoyed consecutive top six finishes of late but have been dead quiet thus far in the transfer market. They may well have hit a glass ceiling and reached as high as they can realistically expect. This season they'll also face stiffer competition for 5th with both **Tottenham** and **Portsmouth** spending heavily. Spurs have strengthened their squad in a big way with the loss of Robbie Keane being more then compensated with the acquisition of David Bentley and Luka Modric. Portsmouth have also been active and Peter Crouch should plug a big gap in the forward line giving them a noticeably improved team sheet.

Manchester City can also expect to be around the top half and have a proven manager in Mark Hughes. He managed to push **Blackburn** into Europe so there is no reason why he can't do it again with a stronger squad and more income at his disposal. Any chance **Aston Villa** has of finishing 6th again will depend on whether they can hang on to Gareth Barry. Martin O'Neil has managed to sure up the backline but if he loses Barry then a gaping big hole will open up right in the middle of their team plans.

Midtable

Blackburn have done well in recent seasons but the loss of David Bentley and a new inexperienced manager in Paul Ince could see them slip down the table while they readjust. Newcastle rallied late last season but haven't made any significant signings to suggest they can move into the top half. In Michael Owen and Mark Viduka they've also got two of the most inconsistent strikers in the league. Middlesbrough were capable of beating anyone on their day last season but inconsistency meant they could never push much higher than 10th.

Fulham showed a marked improvement once Roy Hodgson took over and a lot of changes have been made at Craven Cottage over the break. It should be enough to create a decent buffer zone from relegation but anything further might be pushing it.

Sunderland managed to survive last season but it cost the club £50 million. Many of Roy Keane's signings were hit-and-miss and once again this year he has gone for players struggling to get a game at other clubs. It should be enough to ensure survival for another season but not much more.

West Ham had a bad run of injuries last season but they've also dug themselves into a hole by overspending on ageing mediocre players in seasons past. Having to pay out Fredrick Ljungberg's contract only one year into a four-year deal is just one example of the folly that has been taking place at Upton Park. Thus money has been tight restricting any move the Hammers might make into the top half.

Relegation

As excepted the three times most likely to go down will be the three teams that just won promotion: West Brom, Hull City and Stoke. For the later two just making it the Premiership is an achievement in itself and if either can manage to accumulate more points than **Derby** they'll be grateful. Their lack of spending suggest both have already consigned themselves to relegation and just want to weather the storm.

Of the three only **West Brom** has a realistic chance of survival. They were the standout team in the Championship last season and the fact that leading scorer Kevin Phillips was allowed to leave suggests the club are willing to make the cut-throat changes necessary to remain in the top flight.

If **Bolton** manage to survive again this season it will be considered a success. 'Sexy' football has never been a feature at Reebox Stadium but their backline seems stable. The problem is that winning requires goals and with the loss of Nic Anelka and El Hadji Diouf Bolton don't having anyone capable of scoring them anymore. Wigan have been flirting dangerous with the bottom three in recent seasons and if they're not careful their longer-than-expected spell in the top flight may be about to end.

NEXT WEEK

Preview of the Championship, League One, League Two and Aussies playing in Britain.

Gossip and Transfer Speculation from the English Media...

Hughes Relishes City Job

Manchester City manager Mark Hughes last night confessed that he is taking time to come to terms with how his new football club is administered but insisted that he is still relishing the upcoming season.

Hughes was speaking after his side had concluded their pre-season preparations with a 1-0 victory over AC Milan at the City of Manchester Stadium, a win that came courtesy of Valeri Bojinov's first half goal.

Reports this week questioned the long-term commitment of owner Thaksin Shinawatra to City in the light of growing legal problems in his native Thailand, a state of affairs which has also raised concern over the amount of money he can invest in Huighes' squad.

Against Milan, City were also without Croatian full-back Verdun Corluka who appears also poised for an eight million-pound move to Tottenham.

Sampodoria Chase Shev

What may have, at one stage seen as a hopeful dream, Sampdoria could land one of the transfer scoops of the season.

It may be necessary for Chelsea to sell the Ukrainian as the Stamford Bridge outfit plan to make a few more big signings in the remaining time left to the clubs in the transfer window.

It had been expected that if Shevchenko were to leave it would have been back into the Serie A and at AC Milan. That has changed since AC Milan has turned their attention to bolstering their defence in the aftermath of the injury to Alessandro Nesta.

It is now well known and publicised that Andriy Shevchenko doesn't really fit into Luiz Felipe Scolari's future plans and the move could mean more regular first team action for the striker even if it does mean a 50% drop in wages.

The more relaxed atmosphere at Sampdoria could eventually rekindle the form that has eluded him at Stamford Bridge.

Benitez Still Hunts Barry

Liverpool manager Rafael Benitez has insisted he is still in the hunt to sign Aston Villa captain Gareth Barry.

Benitez is believed to be facing opposition from his club's American owners over the reported 18-million-pound (34.5-million-dollar) cost of the 28-year-old.

But the Spaniard has promised to sign one more new player this summer, insisting it will be to fill his problem left-flank area and maintained the new player will be English.

"The situation is not a question of money," said Benitez after Liverpool beat Lazio 1-0 in a friendly on Friday.

"He (Barry) is English and can play three different positions, but I am talking about someone who can play on the left."

Xabi Alonso had been expected to make way for Barry but he now looks set to stay at Anfield after a fine performance on Friday.

Real Reject Robinho Offer

Real Madrid have turned down a bid for their Brazilian striker Robinho from English Premier League side Chelsea, the Spanish press reported on Saturday.

The Spanish champions sent a fax to Chelsea telling them that the Brazilian international was "not for sale", according to sports dailies As and Marca.

Chelsea confirmed Thursday they had made an offer without giving details of the bid, reported to be just over 25 million euros (37.5 million dollars).

But according to Marca, Real bosses consider the offer "too low, not to say ridiculous".

The Stamford Bridge club, who have already signed Jose Bosingwa and Deco, had made no secret of their desire to sign the 24-year-old, who joined Real Madrid from Santos in 2005, and has 50 caps for Brazil. Robinho has reportedly told the club he wanted to join Chelsea, coached by his compatriot Luiz Felipe Scolari.

The player felt unwanted at Real, and was hurt by the club's decision to prevent him joining the Brazil squad at the Olympics.

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